



Autumn 2018



Dates for your Diary:

Half Term week – Monday 29th October – Friday 2nd November
PD Day - Monday 5th November (for term time only children)
31st October – Crackerjacks Halloween fun dress up day. Details to follow.
9th November – Oswestry School Firework Display. For further details please telephone 01691 653453. (Mrs. S. Gambroudes)
11th November – 100 years since the end of World War I
16th November – Children in Need. Details to follow.
22nd November – Oswestry Christmas Light switch on
14th December – Pre-school Christmas Nativity. Details to follow.
21st December – Shropshire End of Autumn Term

We would like to welcome all new children and parents to the Nursery and we are pleased to say that everyone has settled in really well. We are sad to be saying farewell to two of our staff members. Miss Abbey in Transition has recently left to go on Maternity leave and also Miss Lauren in Pre-school will be leaving us at the beginning of November to commence her Maternity leave. We wish them both well and look forward to seeing their new additions. We will hopefully have some new members of staff joining us very soon and will keep you informed fully.

A polite reminder to all parents that there is a 5mph speed limit on the driveway to nursery. Could we also remind everyone that our morning session finishes at 12.30pm, our short day session at 3.30pm and our afternoon/long day session finishes at 6.00pm. Whilst we understand that on occasions there can be an unavoidable delay of which you are able to let us know, regular lateness affects staffing due to lunch breaks and finishing times. Also we are only insured between the hours of 8.00am to 6.00pm. We really appreciate your co-operation in this matter.



News from the Rooms:

Baby Room - Could we please remind parents to bring in special family photos to put on our "Baby Family" display. We are focusing on Autumn activities at the moment along with thinking about Halloween and Bonfire night.

Minis Room – We have just completed our Autumn display "Fall into Autumn" and will continue to have trips to the park whenever possible to collect more leaves and cones. We are about to start an "Up in the Sky" display. We are continuing with our photo wall and would appreciate any family photos to add to it. Also any spare clothes you no longer need would be gratefully received as the children do sometimes get messy or have little accidents/incidents.

Little's 1 – Miss Cara and Miss Nish would like to welcome all the new children and parents to Little Explorers and say a big "well done" for settling in so well. We have been very busy looking at "Autumn Colours" and have been focusing on the colours red, orange, yellow and brown. We have enjoyed leaf collecting in the park and making hand print hedgehogs. Patch the Dog and his diary is our new friend to create a home link with Nursery. We love to see the great photographs showing the adventures he has been on with you

Transition - We would like to welcome all of our new children who have settled in well. We have been looking at farming and harvesting. The children have collected leaves, conkers and cones to play with. We have also harvested vegetables. The children have enjoyed digging and printing with leaves, using paint and crayons. Please could we kindly ask if your child could be provided with an apron for lunch times.

Pre-school – We would like to welcome all our new children to Pre-school, they have all settled in really well and are making lots of new friends. We had a lovely time with our visit from Zoo Lab. We are focusing on activities around Autumn/Harvest and also our "All about Me" theme. We would welcome any family photos to go with this and also any donations of old magazines and old working cameras would be much appreciated. Also, we would be very grateful for any donations of clear bottles, small or large with the round edged bases for use in an art project. After half term we will be concentrating on our Nativity play and Christmas themes

To celebrate Harvest we will be collecting food items to be delivered to Oswestry Food Bank. The food bank is an invaluable service that helps hundreds of less fortunate people provide their families with food and nourishment. They also accept toiletries such as soap, shampoo and shower gel. Could we please ask for any donations to be dropped off with a member of your child's room staff during the week commencing Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October. Any tinned goods (including pulses, meat, fruit, custard, rice pudding, fish etc.), dried pasta, rice, toiletries, cereals are all acceptable. (Please no fresh produce like dairy, fresh fruit and veg, bread etc. as this may spoil before the Food Bank are able to collect our gatherings). Thank you.

As the weather is colder and wetter please may we ask that all children come to Nursery with appropriate clothing, ie waterproof coats, hats etc. We ask for those children who are walking if they can be provided with a pair of wellies as we try and go outside whatever the weather. We also suggest that it may be a good idea to send your child a pair of slippers to change into whilst at Nursery particularly when the weather is wet as outdoor shoes can be dirty when the children have played outside.



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