



PREPCARE DAY

NURSERIES - BIRCHFIELD



Autumn/Winter
2024/2025

Topics/Festivals/Events/Celebrations

Food Glorious Food, Tinsel Sparkle & Celebrations, Grandparents Stay & Play, Black History Month, Harvest Festival, Halloween, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Children in Need, Tickled Pink, Road Safety Week, National Recycling Week, St Andrew's Day, Hanukkah and Christmas (This list is not exhaustive and we welcome other celebrations, festivals and events that families would like to share with us!)

Reminders...

- ☛ Mobile phones are not to be used on the grounds once you enter through the magnetised gate.
- ☛ Please remember to ring the nursery doorbell to let us know that you have reached the nursery front door, even if you have been buzzed in through the gate.
- ☛ Please label ALL your child/rens belongings.

Happy Birthday this term to...

Theodora, Zara, Storm, Ted B, Isabella, Everly, Rupert, Lily, Edith, Evalyn, Edward, Arthur T, Harrison, Sienna, Anneka, Leanne, Sammy, Alison, Annie, Ashleigh

Welcome to....

Kerry P in the Intermediate Room
Emily R in the Baby & Tweenie Room
Staff on Maternity Leave...
Ashleigh A from the Toddler Room
Tina E from Tweenie Room

News from the Rooms

Babies: In the Baby Room this term we have been concentrating on settling in all our new starters, making sure that they are feeling safe, secure and comfortable in their new surroundings as well as building strong bonds with the staff. We have been using fruit and vegetables in paint and playdough to explore our topic of Food Glorious Food. In the coming weeks, the babies will enjoy investigating the grounds to see the changes taking place and collect natural autumnal objects to play with in our tuff tray. We are also looking forward to the magic and sparkle of Christmas and all the wonderful craft, music and experiences that come with it.

Tweenies: We have been welcoming the children that have moved from Babies to Tweenies this term. To enhance our fine motor skills and explore our senses we have been using leaves, pine cones and sticks in paint, manipulating cloud dough by rolling, pulling, squeezing and stretching it into different shapes. With the wonderful wet weather, the children have stomped, jumped and splashed in the many puddles around the grounds as well as listen to the different sounds of nature whilst outside. To continue our love for language, we have enjoyed listening to our core story books and rhymes, cementing the words we have learnt and practising the new vocabulary we are hearing.

Toddlers: This term our children in the Toddler Room have settled in really well. We have been exploring and learning together as we slip into the new season of autumn. In Nature Detectives we will be investigating the changes in the season, looking at all the differences we can spot whilst encouraging new outdoor experiences. We have lots of new learning opportunities on the horizon with the fun and exciting celebrations coming up. We are also looking forward to welcoming grandparents to the nursery in celebration of how wonderful they are and the integral role they play for so many of our children.

Intermediates: This term in Intermediates, we have welcomed our new children to the room as well as Kerry P. The children are getting to know Kerry and have already built great bonds with her. We have been focussing a lot on encouraging the children's independence and confidence and building on their 'can do' attitude. The children have been getting dressed and attempting to put on their wellies for Nature Detectives independently with minimal adult support. We will be joining the rest of the nursery in celebrating the upcoming festivals, celebrations and events.

Pre-School: This half term in Pre-School we have been settling the new children into the room, getting to know each other and familiarising ourselves with the rules of the room. The children have drawn pictures of their families, telling their peers all about who is important to them, before reading stories and having discussions about different types of families. In October we will be exploring autumn and the changes it brings, both as part of our indoor activities and as a main focus in our Forest School Sessions. We are also looking forward to taking part in lots of activities to celebrate the events, festivals and celebrations coming up. As we get closer to the end of the year, the children will also be preparing for the Pre-School Christmas Play!

As a nursery we look forward to more learning, experiences, and sharing what we have enjoyed over the next term.

We have some very busy months coming up, with lots of exciting things happening! We hope you enjoy seeing and hearing what your little ones are getting up to!

Many thanks for your continued support
Monica Sangha, Deputy Manager


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Dates to look out for...

October

W/C 14th October - Grandparents Stay & Play (Letters sent)

W/C 21st October (Excl 23rd Oct) - Grandparents Stay & Play (Letters sent)

W/C 14th October - Dress up in **Pink, Red or White** for Tickled Pink Breast Cancer Charity (£1 donation)

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November **HALF TERM** (Term time only children break up Friday 25th Oct)

W/C 28th October - Halloween Dress Up - for all, on a day of their choice this week if not in on

Thursday 31st October

November

Friday 1st November - Diwali Celebration - Dress in brightly coloured patterns

Monday 4th November - Term Time children back

Tuesday 5th November - Parent's Consultations - Tweenies, Toddlers & Intermediates 6pm-7pm Details to follow

Thursday 7th November - Parent's Consultation - Babies & Pre-School 6pm-7pm Details to follow

Tuesday 12th November - Codsall Hive Pottery Painting - Details to follow

Wednesday 13th November - Individual Photographs Details to Follow

Friday 15th November - Children in Need - Come to nursery with a bear or a member of the Peppa Pig family!! (£1 donation, dress up optional)

Wednesday 20th November - Codsall Hive Pottery Painting - Details to follow

December

Tuesday 3rd December - Pre-School Trip to Telford Winter Wonderland - Details to follow.

Friday 6th December - Pre-School Nativity 2.45pm - Details to follow

Tuesday 10th & Wednesday 11th December - Baby, Toddler, Intermediates and Pre-school Christmas Parties - Details to follow

Tuesday 10th & Friday 13th December - Tweenies Christmas Parties - Details to follow

Thursday 12th December - Nursery Christmas Lunch

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children (£1 Donation)

Friday 13th December - Birchfield break up for Christmas

Thursday 19th December - Nursery Christmas Celebration (All families invited 2.30pm -4pm, more details to follow)

Monday 23rd December 2024 - Monday 6th January 2025 - Christmas Holidays (**Term Time children break up Friday 20th December and return Tuesday 7th January 2025**)

Wednesday 25th December - Bank Holiday Christmas Day

Thursday 26th December - Bank Holiday Boxing Day

Wednesday 1st January 2025 - Bank Holiday New Year's Day

Tuesday 7th January 2024 - Term Time only children back