



PREPCARE DAY NURSERIES



Autumn/Winter
2025/2026

Happy Birthday this term to...

Myles, Ozzie, Renée, Rupert, Freddie, Taranjeet, Signa, Theodora, Edith, Lily, Isabella, Ethan, Edward, Harrison, Annela, Leanne, Sammi, Alison, Annie, Ashleigh

News from the Rooms

Babies: In the baby room this term, we have welcomed many new faces. We have been focusing on helping the babies settle in by nurturing warm and caring connections, ensuring they feel safe and comfortable. Our autumnal walks around the beautiful grounds have been a highlight, where we collected various natural objects. To explore these in a safe way, we created sensory bags filled with soft and crunchy leaves, pine cones, and berries, both in and out of water. We also enjoyed celebrating Diwali, embracing the vibrant colours of the festival by painting our own divas. Additionally, we put a creative twist on 'carving a pumpkin' by using our handprints and collage materials to decorate one, and we made pumpkin pictures using fresh apple stamps. Looking ahead, we will further engage our senses with a fun Halloween activity involving bug-filled jelly! With the festive season of glitter and tinsel approaching, we have a fantastic range of craft and exploratory activities planned.

Tweenies: In tweenie room we have been getting creative with our autumn and Halloween boards. We have been doing this by using lots of different materials and textures, encouraging the children to use their fine motor skills and develop their knowledge of colours. We have been promoting physical development by using soft play equipment to encourage balance and large movements. We continue to incorporate numbers into our daily routine, through counting, nursery rhymes and reading traditional stories, such as Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We have enjoyed exploring different sensory tuff trays such as, oats, rice, shaving foam, compost with acorns and conkers! We look forward to the sparkle and wonder that comes with the many celebrations that traditionally come along this term!

Toddlers: The toddlers are beginning to explore autumn as summer winds down and the longer, darker nights approach. We're enjoying nature walks and engaging with our autumn tuff trays, observing the beautiful changes in the environment around us.

This term brings many celebrations for us to look forward to and learn about, so expect to see some wonderful artwork and hear lots of new words in our vocabulary! We'll keep up the great work in our Spanish lessons and continue learning exciting topics during circle time, including our names, the days of the week, and so much more!

Intermediates: This term we have welcomed some new children into our room. They are settling in really well and some great bonds are being made. We have been doing lots of autumnal activities like creating hedgehogs with leaves, conker rolling and lots of nature walks and exploring the surroundings. We are continuing with our fine motor skills activities, practicing our scissor skills and holding a pencil in a comfortable grip. We are beginning to do well with recognising our names so hopefully this will continue to progress. We will then be moving onto winter, looking at the differences between autumn, using a variety of activities and resources to experiment, explore, investigate and have fun with!! This will also mean celebrating and getting ready for Christmas (eek!)

Pre-School: This term we have been settling into the Pre-school routine and getting used to all the extra-curricular activities. We have been learning about each other and our families, as well as exploring different kinds of families. We have been looking at the different types of seasons and the changes we can see. The children have been practising their knife and fork skills and experiencing school life by having lunch in the school hall. During the first half term we will be investigating space and looking at all the planets within our solar system and the roles people play in space. We will be looking at black history month in October learning about the influences of black people in history and currently all over the world. We will be exploring autumn and Halloween with a variety of sensory activities.

We are looking forward to continuing the term full of learning and enjoyable experiences, through an array of engaging activities lined up. These will be shared as always through handovers, observations and parent consultations.

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Dates to look out for....

October

W/C 20th & 27th October – Birchfield School Break Up for Half Term

Monday 27th October – Friday 2nd November HALF TERM (Term time only children break up on Friday 27th Oct)

W/C 27th October – Dress Up for Halloween on a day of your choice.

November

Monday 3rd November – Term Time children back

Friday 7th November – 20th Anniversary Celebration in the hall! 1pm-4.30pm – All families invited!

Monday 10th –Friday 14th November – Nursery Rhyme Week

Wednesday 12th November – Individual Photographs – Details to follow

Friday 14th November – Children in Need – Come to nursery wearing spots! (£1 donation)

Tuesday 18th November - Parent's Consultations from 6pm for Toddlers, Intermediates and Pre-school

Tuesday 18th November - Codsall Hive Pottery

Painting – Details to follow

Wednesday 19th November - Codsall Hive Pottery Painting – Details to follow

Thursday 20th November – Parents Consultations from 6pm for Babies and Tweenies

Friday 28th November – Author Visit Shannon Frost 10am

December

Thursday 4th December – Pre-School Trip to West Midlands Safari Park – All Pre-School children invited. Details to follow.

Monday 8th December – Pre-School & Reception Nativity 2.45pm - Details to follow

December – Nursery Christmas Lunch TBC

Thursday 11th December – Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children (£1 Donation)

Thursday 11th December – Birchfield School Break Up

Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th December –Baby Room Christmas Parties - Details to follow

Wednesday 10th & Thursday 11th December –Tweenies Christmas Parties - Details to follow

Thursday 11th & Friday 12th December –Toddler Christmas Parties (Details to follow)

Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th December - Intermediates Christmas Parties – Details to follow

Tuesday 11th December – Pre-School Christmas Parties - Details to follow

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

Monday 22nd December 2025 – Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Christmas Holidays (Term Time children break up Friday 19th December)

Thursday 25th December – Bank Holiday Christmas Day

Friday 26th December – Bank Holiday Boxing Day

Thursday 1st January 2026 – Bank Hol New Years Day

Tuesday 6th January 2026 – Term Time children back