Nursery Bulletin
Friday 20th November 2026

Theme for the week – Weddings, Autumn

This week we have been thinking about weddings and Autumn, but it has definitely felt more like Winter outside! Thank you for coming to Shared Reading on Monday. The next one will be after Christmas and will be on a Tuesday. **Just to let you know we will be changing reading books on a Friday rather than a Monday from next week as this is the day that everybody is in.**

Our learning this week

In phonics this week we looked at pictures of things beginning with the 't' sound, we played games to explore alliteration and games involving oral blending. We sang '1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Once I Caught A Fish Alive' and played games to explore rhyming, syllables, alliteration and voice sounds.

We didn't have our usual PE lesson this week as we welcomed our new friend Raiden to nursey! Instead we spent lots of time outside in the garden using different equipment and going to the big playground to use the pirate equipment.

On Monday we read 'The Scarecrow's Wedding' and the children predicted what would happen in the story. When reading the story again they joined in with the repeated refrains and completed the missing rhyming word in a sentence. The children recalled what the scarecrows wrote on their list of things for the wedding and we thought of what else they might need. We encouraged the children to hear the sound that their word began with. After we modelled writing their idea for the list the children then had a go at imitating our writing using the pinch and flip method to hold their pen correctly.

We then used clothes, hats, stuffing (newspaper and shredded paper), twine, fabric and long sticks to make two scarecrows. The children talked about what they were doing and what they might need to do next. We encouraged the children to listen to and follow instructions and to work with someone else to make their part of the scarecrow.

We also read 'Maisy Goes to A Wedding' and talked about what things happened at the wedding. Some children helped to re-enact the wedding that Maisy went to with our scarecrows! We talked about why people get married and also that some people don't get married and some get married but don't stay married.

Our maths activities have involved subitising small amounts (recognising an amount without accounting) by recognising 1, 2 or 3 objects in a story, groups of animals and arrangements of bottle lids. The children have also begun learning about the nativity story and practising the songs for our play.

In their child-initiated learning, the children have loved making wedding cards, wedding cakes and wedding dresses. Outside they have used the rain water collected in buckets to explore filling and pouring.

Next Week

Next week we will be learning about birthdays and we will read 'Kipper's Birthday' by Mick Inkpen and 'You Must Bring A Hat' by Simon Phillip. We will end the week with a birthday party for Tessa and Tom and the children will be inviting their brother, sister or friend from the other classes to come along.

Reminders and requests

- Show and Tell is on Monday.
- Saturday 28th November – Advent Market. Nursery will be singing a song with Reception at 12.30pm. It would be lovely if they could wear a Christmas jumper.
- Friday 11th December – EYFS Nativity. More information to follow.
- Remember to look at the nursery webpage as well as Tapestry for photos of things we have been doing in class.
- Application deadline for primary school places – Friday 15th January 2027
- If you have any unwanted 6 or 12 egg boxes please send these in.
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Home Learning ideas to support your child's early development:

- Reading – see the "Recommended Reads for Preschool and Nursery" book list.
- The 'NHS Best Start in Life' website has ideas for having everyday conversations, playing and reading with your child.
  Learning conversations: 3 to 5 years - Best Start in Life - NHS
- The BBC's Tiny Happy People and the National Literacy Trust's Family Zone
- NSPCC Online Safety for under 5s

Have a lovely weekend!

The Nursery Team







