

Nursery Newsletter

Autumn 2 2025

Welcome back! We hope you have had a fun October break.

Our topic this half term is 'Senses and Celebrations'.

We will be doing lots of fun (and sometimes messy!) activities relating to this topic. As part of this topic, we will explore various celebrations and look at how people celebrate.

We ended last half term by celebrating Diwali and the children loved exploring lots of different activities that were related to this special event. This half term we will be exploring:

Bonfire Night

Remembrance Day

Children in Need

World Nursery Rhyme Week (week beginning 10th November)

Advent

Christmas

If there are any celebrations that you will be celebrating in your home, we would love you to share these via Tapestry. This will really support the children's understanding of celebrations by combining home life experiences with Nursery learning.

Our focus story this half term is '**Brown Bear, Brown Bear. What do you see?**'

The children will begin to have a daily 'phonics' session where we will be working from Little Wandle Foundation Phonics programme. This phase supports children with their auditory skills. Our focus this half term will be upon hearing the initial sounds in words.

This half term we will be celebrating World Nursery Rhyme Week. This will take place during week commencing 10th November. We will be learning 5 new nursery rhymes, one per day and enjoying lots of fun activities related to those rhymes.

Book boxes will continue to be accessible on Wednesdays to change reading for pleasure books with your child. Please continue to support their early reading skills at home as much as possible.



Through Personal, Social and Emotional (PSED) sessions the children will look at 'Celebrating Differences' and through RE we will be learning about the Nativity.

In Mathematics we will begin to order number names, recognise small quantities without counting, revisit simple patterns and join in with repeats and gain awareness of space, looking at where objects will and will not fit.

Reminders:

- Your child needs to have a backpack in school everyday that contains their water bottle and a spare set of clothes – pants/socks/top/trousers
- Snacks that are bought in from home should be **HEALTHY**. No biscuits/cakes/chocolate. Only a fruit or vegetable
- Homework is set each week on a Friday – please complete this with your child each week and either bring into Nursery or upload to Tapestry. We love to see their creations!

Dates for your diary:

- Monday 3rd November – Training Day – school closed to pupils
- Tuesday 11th November – Remembrance Day
- Wednesday 19th November – Early Years Maths Stay & Play – parents come into classes (time TBC)
- Friday 21st November – Children in Need Day
- Monday 15th December – Christmas Dress up fundraising day
- Wednesday 17th December – EYFS Nativity at 9.15am
- Thursday 18th December – Christmas Party Day
- Friday 19th December – break up for Christmas holidays

Please keep in touch with us via Tapestry and through a class email

YearN.als@annielennard.sandwell.sch.uk, or of course on the classroom door, especially if you have any concerns.

A very big thank you for all your continued support with your child's learning at home. We are set to have a wonderful second half of Autumn term, with lots of fun, sparkles and singing!

Miss Thomas, Miss Dolan & Mrs Kyriacou

