

# Friday 6th October 2023

Nursery is beginning to feel so settled. Everyone's getting into the groove – children/ parents/ carers and staff alike – **Well done all!** 

#### This week in Nursery:

**Books, books, books**! The children have been loving listening to adults reading books and taking home a book they have chosen themselves. Positive reading experiences are so important and every day we love to share and talk about books together either at whole carpet sessions or in small groups lounging on the sofa. Books such as 'Owl Babies' and 'The Selfish Crocodile' encourage empathy and discussion around how to help others.

As the children are more settled, they are noticing each other more which is resulting in deeper levels of **creative and collaborative play**. As an example, children have been observed taking a more caring approach and helping each other to balance as they walk along the beam.

All aboard! Another group of children used the outdoor plank as a bus to 'go to America'! '**Going on journeys' with friends is becoming a favoured theme** of much of the role play outside. The children have also loved re-enacting things that they know: One afternoon Tracey became our resident troll(!) under the climbing frame and the children were thrilled to 'trip-trap' over the 'bridge' over her head.

A big thank you to afternoon parents/ carers for collecting their child/ ren from 'the other' door. This has really helped with the previous congestion on the afternoon carpet.

# Things to Note:

#### Cooking

We are pleased to confirm that we will be starting cooking next week and are looking forward to beginning with making sandwiches.

## • Wild Garden

Unfortunately, this year we are unable to offer outdoor sessions in the 'Wild Garden' due to staffing and timetabling issues.





# **Weekly Learning Letter**

#### • Stay and Play

The first Stay and Play will be after the half term on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Music Sessions

Short and fun music sessions with Emily will be on Wednesday mornings and Thursday afternoons starting from 19<sup>th</sup> October.

## Clothing

- **Spare clothes** please can you ensure your child has at least one set of spare clothes (named and in a bag) for toileting reasons, but also just in case they get wet due to the water play.
- Wet weather as the weather is so unpredictable, can you please make sure your child has a waterproof coat and wellies.
- **Shoes** can we ask the children do not wear Crocs, as they are not suitable for activities in the outside area. Also, we would like to ask children wear shoes which promote their independence, such as Velcro or slip on shoes. Thank you!

Have a fabulous weekend.

Tracey, Liz, Sophie, Fiona and Katrina