

Weekly Learning Letter

Friday 7th November 2025

It has been wonderful to welcome all the children back to Nursery this week and hear all about the lovely things they got up to during their half term break. We are so pleased to see how enthusiastically the children have settled back in.

This week in Nursery

A big focus this week has been on the excitement of Bonfire Night and the thrill of seeing and hearing fireworks! The children have loved talking about how noisy fireworks are, using words like 'BOOM' and 'BANG' to describe them, as well as using this opportunity to discuss how they feel when they hear fireworks. Our firework inspired conversations spurred the children on to make all kinds of Bonfire Night related pictures and crafts including number rockets, firework paintings. It ended with our huge collaborative firework painting. The children were shown how to splatter the paint and absolutely loved working on such a grand scale and were extremely proud of their final masterpiece. Watch out Jackson Pollock.



With help from the wise words of Fireman Sam, we also spent time learning about how to keep safe around bonfires, fireworks and sparklers. The children were amazing at explaining the dangers of fire and thinking of ways to keep extra safe during Bonfire Night – such as always staying with a grown up.



The children have also been enjoying our new doctors' surgery, looking after each other, taking temperatures, administering medicines, bandaging wounds and insisting people attend their appointments! It's been wonderful to hear the rich language taking place and to observe their role play. So, if you're struggling to get an appointment, do check out the Kilmorie Hospital!

Outside, we've been preparing tin cans for our spring bulb planting. The children have been using acrylic paints and learning how it differs from the usual poster paints that we use. Next week we will start planting and exploring what seeds and plants need to grow.

Finally, we have started to learn songs and actions for our Christmas performance, so over the next month, we will be very busy practising them over and over and over again!

Enjoy the weekend ahead and the slightly unexpected warm weather!

Amy, Zindzi, Katrina, Tracey and Fiona



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Garden Centre

We are creating a garden centre in our outside house. If you have anything spare that you would like to donate, we would be eternally grateful. Items could be, seeds, bulbs, gardening magazines, children's spades or anything garden related! Thank you in advance.

Individual School Photos

These took place this week, so please look out for information on how to order these online.

Library Visit

On **Wednesday 12th November**, Paul Nash from Lewisham Libraries will be visiting Kilmorie Nursery during our two stay and play sessions. He will hold a story telling session with the children, and will also be available to talk with adults about the services provided by Lewisham libraries. He will also be able to set up memberships for children on the day. Please come along if you want to find out more.

Wild Garden Wonders

On Tuesday 18th and Friday 21st November, we will be starting our weekly Wild Garden Wonder sessions. These are a fabulous opportunity for the children to explore the wild garden in the main school grounds and experience the joys of learning in nature. Going forward, they will take place on a Tuesday afternoon and Friday morning to ensure all children have the opportunity to visit this space. A separate letter will be given out, covering what to wear, timings, activities etc. If you have any questions, please do ask.

Parent/Carer Meetings

On **Wednesday 17th December**, Nursery will be closed to all children. This is to enable us to hold parent meetings for your children and a stay and play for those children who will be joining us in January 2026. Appointment slots will be available next week. If you have any questions, please speak to a member of staff.

January 2026 Nursery Schedule

- **Monday 5th January – INSET Day**
The nursery will be **closed** for whole school staff training and professional development.
- **Tuesday 6th January – Staff Preparation Day**
The nursery remains **closed** while staff prepare the learning environment and resources for the term ahead.
- **Wednesday 7th January – Home Visits**
Our team will be conducting home visits for new children joining the nursery. The nursery will be **closed** to children on this day.
- **Thursday 8th January – Return of Current Nursery Children**
We look forward to welcoming you and your children back. The nursery is **open**.
- **Monday 12th January – Start Date for New Children**
A small group of new children will begin their nursery journey with us.



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