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February 2026 Newsletter



Upcoming Events

2nd-6th National Story Telling week

10th Safer Internet Day

14th Valentines Day

16th-20th Chinese New Year

17th Pancake Day

17th World Kindness Day

20th National Love your pet day

27th International Polar Bear Day



This month we would like to welcome Bella and Cassian to Nutkins. We hope they have a wonderful time with us.

Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 10th February we will be teaching the children how to stay safe online. We do this by introducing them to a story called Smartie the Penguin and teaching them a familiar rhyme to help them remember what to do. To find out more information about how to keep your little one safe online and how to access the Smartie the Penguin story please follow the link below.

[Resources for 3-11s - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Sangita

We would like to send Sangita our best wishes, whilst she is on long term sick leave. Carla is supporting Nutkin's and her key group in her absence and we look forward to seeing her when she is feeling better

Leanne

We would like to wish a huge congratulations to Leanne who welcomed her baby on 23rd January. She had a healthy baby boy called Elijah. We wish her well and look forward to meeting Elijah.

Emma

Emma will be leaving us on to start her maternity leave on Thursday 12th February. We would like to wish her all the best and look forward to hearing when baby arrives.

Chinese New Year week

We are looking forward to celebrating Chinese New Year from 16th- 20th February. The children will be taking part in a range of exciting activities such as creating lanterns, chinese restaurant role play, painting with chop sticks and much more. The children will also enjoy a Chinese themed menu throughout the day.

National Story Telling Week - 2nd-6th Feb

We will be celebrating national story telling week by developing our love of books. We will be retelling and recreating our favorite stories and learning all about the characters and Authors.

Stay and Play Sessions

We are excited to introduce our stay and play sessions. We will be holding these monthly and inviting families from each room to take part in an activity with your child. Recently in January our Pre-School children enjoyed making bird feeders with their families.

Nursery Development

As part of our nursery improvements, we have been working behind the scenes to redecorate our rooms. Multiple rooms have already been repainted and over the last couple of weeks our Duckling has been refurbished to create a more natural and calm environment.



Room updates



Birthday celebrations

This month we would like to wish a Happy birthday to.

We hope you all have a lovely time celebrating.

Henry

River

Haden

Eva

Clayton

George

Merryn



Employee of the month



Izzy and Sanchita

This month our employees of the month are Izzy and Sanchita.

Thank you for their continued hard work.

Well Done!



Ducklings And Twitchits



Over the last month we have been focusing on mark making and textures, using our fine motor skills. We have enjoyed using the shiny foil to explore and ribbon to create our own movements and sounds. Over the coming weeks we will be focusing on stories, using peek a boo books and soft textures. We will also be looking at the special people in our lives as we celebrate valentines day.



Tiggys

This month in Tiggys we have been focusing on winter and it's animals, shapes and colours as well as all about me. We have enjoyed exploring winter themed ice trays as well as rainbow rice sensory trays and shape painting activities! We have particularly enjoyed painting self portraits using mirrors to look at ourselves! In Tiggys we love to get involved in cooking activities and this month we have enjoyed making colourful pizzas, honey oat biscuits, snowball biscuits as well as fruity faces!

Next month we plan to focus on our favourite stories such as Monkey Puzzle, Wonky Donkey and The Smartest Giant In Town.



Nutkins



In Nutkins we have enjoyed taking part in the RSPB bird watch. We enjoyed making binoculars and using them to go into the garden and see what birds we could find. We have also created birds out of Rocks, free painting birds and creating paper plate owls. We have enjoyed creating self portraits and learning about what makes us unique and our different features.



Preschool



In Pre-School we have been taking part in the RSPB bird watch. We have been observational bird painting, bird hunting in the garden, making bird feeders. As part of our phonics we have introduced a new letter sound each week where we have been learning to recognise the sound and develop our early writing skills. The children have also enjoyed taking part in little and big explorer activities where the children have enjoyed carrying out activities with the younger children.