

## Nursery Newsletter - Autumn 2 2022

We hope you all had an enjoyable and relaxing half term break. We have a very busy term to look forward to whilst looking at some of our favourite stories. Thank you to everyone who signed up for our parent consultations before half term, I hope they were informative. Myself and Miss Spink really enjoyed speaking with you all.

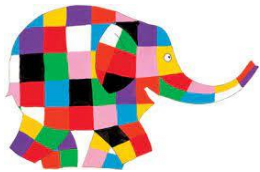
On the back of our newsletter I have added some common used words linked to our weekly topics that we hope you will find useful.



### DIWALI

This week we will be learning about the celebration of Diwali.

We will be exploring traditional Indian clothing, making our own Diya lamps and listening to the story of Rama and Sita.



### ELMER

We will begin our week of learning by listening to the story of Elmer and creating our own large Elmer by using lots of coloured squares to collage.

We will also be using the paint to participate in colour mixing.



### THE GRUFFALO

During this week the children will become familiar with the Gruffalo story and have the opportunity to explore the different animal homes. We will be going on a Gruffalo hunt in the garden whilst retelling the story looking for animal tracks and homes.

*We've Going on a Bear Hunt*  
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



### WE'RE GOING ON A BEAR HUNT

When the children come into the nursery they will be greeted by a bear cave which we will be exploring.

We will share the story together and later in the week retell the story by exploring the different elements using our feet.



### STICK MAN

During this week of learning we will be looking at the story of Stick man. The children will make their own stick man character and decorate him with clothes, create and use our own stick paintbrushes & ordering different sticks into height order.



### CHRISTMAS

Over the two weeks we will be talking about our family's traditions and how we celebrate Christmas. The children will have the chance to explore how different countries celebrate Christmas and saying Merry Christmas in our home languages.

We will also be creating our own Christmas cards, calendars and performing our Christmas play to all parents.

### INFORMATION

#### SHOES

Please could all parents ensure their children are wearing Velcro shoes only as we encourage them to be independent in taking off and putting on their own shoes.

Could we please ask for children to come to nursery in indoor shoes and have a pair of wellies left here that they can change into.

#### COLD AND WET WEATHER

With the cold weather on the way could we please ask children to be well equipped for the cold weather and that all items of clothing are clearly marked with your child's name.

#### STAY, PLAY AND LEARN SESSIONS

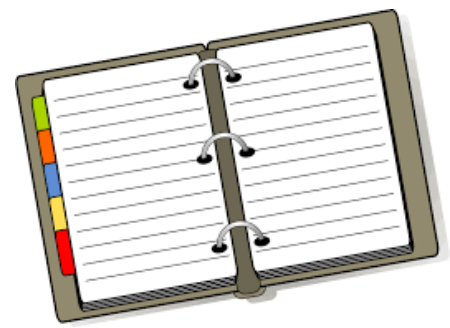
During the week of 21<sup>st</sup> November we would like to invite one parent to join their child in the nursery for an hour of activities and learning. Google sign up sheets will be coming home for you to sign up. We apologise that due to space in the nursery we are unable to welcome siblings during these sessions.

Thank you as always for your support.

## Common used words across our weekly topics

	Everyday words	Really useful words	Topic specific words
Diwali	Presents Fireworks Food	Family Money	Diya Rangoli Sari Rama Sita Temple
Elmer	Red Yellow Blue Green	Elephant	Jungle
We're going on a bear hunt	Bear Cave Girl Boy	Over Under Through	Swishy swashy Splish splosh Squelch squerch Woo hoooo Stumble trip Tip toe
The Gruffalo	Mouse Owl Snake Fox	Deep dark wood Stroll	The Gruffalo Owl ice cream Scrambled snake Roasted fox Gruffalo crumble
Stick man	Dog Swan River	Family Chimney Sandcastle Pooh stick Flag Nest	Stick man Family tree Stick lady love
Christmas	Presents Lights Tree Decorations Food	Family Shepherds Kings Turkey Brussel sprouts Christmas crackers	Santa Reindeers Elf Carols Nativity Jesus

## Dates for your diary



Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November – Odd socks and wacky hair day (Hedgehogs)

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Spotty day for children in need (Hedgehogs)

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November – Individual and sibling photos, please wear correct nursery uniform.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Spotty day for children in need (Rabbits)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Wacky hair and odd socks day (Rabbits)

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Individual and sibling photos, please wear correct nursery uniform.

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November – Nursery Stay, play and learn sessions, more details to follow soon.

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November – PTA Christmas Pantomime performance.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Hedgehogs Christmas costumes brought into nursery (individual letters including parts and costume details to follow soon)

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Rabbits costumes brought into nursery (individual letters including parts and costume details to follow soon)

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Hedgehogs Christmas performance.

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Rabbits Christmas performance.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term for Hedgehogs, 11:45am finish.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term for Rabbits, 1:40pm finish.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Children return to nursery.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February – Inset day (Nursery closed)