

# CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM 2 2025

This term in Nursery, your child will be participating in some exciting new learning. To get your child ready for their learning and to support their learning at home, we have collated some ideas for you and your child to enjoy together when at home and when out and about.

## Topics we will be learning about:

### Autumn Adventures

This topic helps children explore the changes that happen in autumn. They will learn about colder weather, falling leaves, and how animals get ready for winter. Through play and outdoor activities, they will use their senses to discover the season. With the stories *Squirrel's Busy Day* and *Owl Babies*, children will learn about working together, feeling safe, and how animals prepare for the colder months.

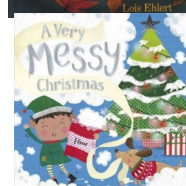
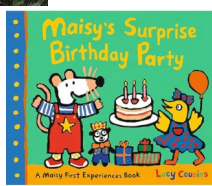
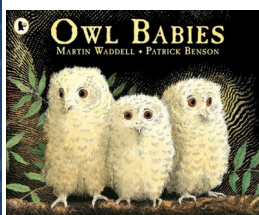


### Birthday Bashes and Festive Fun

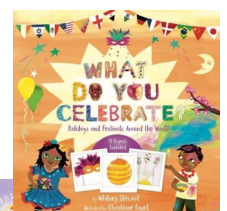
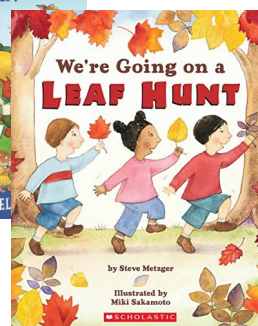
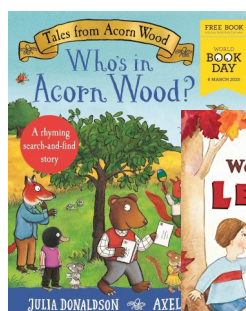
This topic helps children explore special celebrations in autumn and winter, focusing on birthdays and festive traditions. They will learn what makes celebrations meaningful and enjoy a magical Elf School experience at Christmas, discovering the joy of giving and what makes these times special to them.



## Books we are sharing in school:

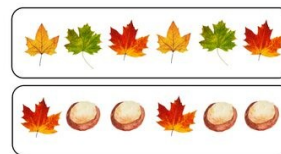


## Books to read/listen to and share:



### Maths:

- Explore own first simple pattern arrangement
- Make simple line patterns with objects
- Show an interest in patterns and shapes
- Show interest in simple differences between shapes
- Explore and play with shapes



### Things to create:

- Make a 'Leaf man'
- Make a hedgehog picture out of leaves
- Make a Christmas list by cutting out (with adult support) from a catalogue and sticking
- Make a birthday cake out of playdough—how many candles?
- Make a simple pattern using different objects



### Places to visit:

- Autumn nature walk in a park, woods or forest to look at how the season brings new changes and to explore natural objects.
- Visit a library to look for the topic books.
- A postbox to send your Christmas list.

### Websites to explore

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/numberblocks-make-and-play>
- [For parents | Letters and Sounds](#)
- [Learning to Count with these fun Counting Games](#)

### Research to carry out:

- What is hibernation?
- What is a habitat?
- What animals live in woodland habitats?
- What animals come out at night?
- What do we call these types of animals?
- What animals come out in the day?
- What do we call these animals?
- What celebrations are special to me? - **Please bring in and share photos of these celebrations for circle time!**

### Key Vocabulary to learn:

- **Autumn, seasons, habitat, hibernation, nocturnal, diurnal, woodland, mail, letters, postcards, celebration, festival.**

### Important dates to remember:

| Date                    | Event   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Wednesday 26th November | Parents Evening– School and Nursery closes 1pm  |
| Wednesday 10th December | EYFS (Reception and Nursery) Christmas Sing-along Show at 9.30am and 2.30pm—wear Christmas jumpers/ clothes |
| Friday 12th December    | Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch  |
| Friday 19th December    | 1.30pm finish for school (Nursery closed all day)   |



Please ensure your child has named wellies and named waterproof jacket in school as they will get wet and muddy!

Lots of our learning in Nursery takes place outside providing invaluable experience and we aim to try and keep their uniform as clean as possible.

Thank you.

