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## **Newsletter - 12.10.2018**

### **This Week**

This week the children have started to learn about owls. Our focus stories have been 'WOW! said the Owl' and 'Owl Babies'. The children have been using props to retell the stories. They have also been identifying different colours and been hunting around nursery to find different coloured objects.

The children have also been practising jumping and balancing.

The children showed an interest in spiders. We therefore introduced activities/resources relating to spiders to extend their learning. Some of the activities include: using clay and natural materials to make spiders, reading spider books, painting spiders, counting out 8 legs to make a paper spider and singing 'Incy Wincy Spider'.

In Forest School, the children followed Sneezy the Dragon's footprints to find a golden egg high up in the tree. The children had to work together to think of how to get the egg down. They were very excited to discover that inside was 'Sneezy the Dragon's' baby.

The 2 year old children will be starting Forest School sessions after half term.

Next Friday we are having a visit from Lancashire Hawks and Owls. The children will learn about the different types of owls and have the opportunity to hold/ stroke them.

### **WOW Books**

Can you read the story of WOW said the owl and find objects of the same colour in your house? You could draw them in your WOW book. If you do not have the book, you can watch it on youtube.

### **Wonderful Word of the Week**

This week the Wonderful Word of the Week was rectangle. The children have been finding objects that are rectangles in nursery.

### **Attendance**

Well done to the Ladybirds who had the highest attendance with 89%

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### **Dates For Your Diary**

Week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 - nursery is closed for half term holiday.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - we will be having a Halloween party. The children can come to nursery in a costume (it does not have to be a Halloween costume).

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Parents' Progress and Information Evening. Details will be sent out after half term.

### **We Are Reading**

As part of Lancashire's We Are Reading initiative we are focusing on promoting children's love for reading. We will be asking parents for suggestions of how you would like to get involved in developing your child's love of reading. Some of the things we will be doing in nursery are:

- Improving the nursery library - children will be provided with a 'Reading Record' and encouraged to read at home. A bedtime story is great for helping children to settle and get to sleep.
- Having a focus story each week which will be shared with parents. Children will complete different activities based around the story.
- Every half term, the nursery schools in Burnley are having a day where we all focus on the same story and have different activities relating to the focus story.
- Inviting visitors to read to the children.
- In December we will be having a 'Snuggle Up With A Book' day. Details will be sent out nearer the time.
- We have designated time for non-fiction and poetry books on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Encouraging parents and children to become members of their local library.
- Language development - introducing new vocabulary.

We would appreciate any further ideas/ suggestions of how parents would like to get involved.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Mrs. Daniels-Green  
Headteacher



**We nurture, we learn, we grow.**