

Nursery Autumn Term Second Half 2026

Celebrations



Communication, Language and Literacy	• Daily phonics activities • Rhyming activities • Role-play areas: Night-time house, party house, insect house and North Pole Post Office • Listen and enjoy a range of different nursery rhymes • Reading spine books • Fiction and non-fiction books
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Jigsaw: Celebrating Differences • Know how it feels to be proud of something they are good at • Recognise one way they are special and unique • Understand that all families are different • Helping to solve a problem • Learn how to make new friends using kind words • Using words to solve a problem
Physical Development	Gross and fine motor skills: • Use outdoor apparatus confidently and with agility • Fine motor skills activities including cutting activities, using tweezers, peg, threading and malleable materials • Throwing and catching a ball • Brain Gym: Developing control and coordination • Yoga
Mathematics	• Create 2D shape pictures • Rhymes and counting songs • Counting how many • Subitising • To listen and move like a rocket • To count model spiders and the numbers of legs on a spider

Understanding the World	Past and Present: • Circle and snack time • My family • Old bears People, Culture and Communities • Celebrations: Diwali, Christmas • Safety on bonfire night • Remembrance Day The Natural World • Day and night • Creatures that come out at night • Bears from around the world
Expressive arts and design	Exploring and using media and materials: Creating with materials: • Printing star pictures using shapes, potatoes and star fruit • Firework pictures • Playdough spiders • Bear shape picture • Make a card for Teddy Being imaginative: • Role-play areas: Going on a bear hunt, night-time house, insect house, party house, North Pole Post Office Music: • Listening to, learning to sing or sing along with nursery rhymes and action songs • Firework songs • Exploring the music area and using a variety of musical instruments • Responding to music through movement and dancing