



Newsletter 27 October 2023

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Our newsletter is the best way to find out about everything that is happening in nursery, including details of our learning plans for the following week.

It is posted every Friday on the home page of our website

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Remembrance Poppy Appeal

We hope you will support fundraising for the Royal British Legion in the run up to Remembrance Day on 11th November.

Staff will be selling poppies at the start of the nursery session from Monday 6th November.

Kids4£1 October half term 2023



Please click on the link for further information

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Early Years Pupil Premium

Are you eligible? The nursery could receive extra funding to enhance the opportunities, experiences and support offered to your child.

Please return your EYPP registration form to the nursery or request a form from the office.

Click [here](#) to read more

What makes you eligible?

Children will be eligible if they are 3 or 4 years old, receiving Free Early Education Entitlement with any OFSTED registered childcare provider and their parent(s)/carer(s) are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Universal Credit
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs of no more than £16,190

Or if they have been:

- Looked after by the local authority for 1 day or more in England or Wales
- Have been adopted from care in England or Wales
- Have left care through a special guardianship order or a child arrangement order in England or Wales



Early Years Pupil Premium

Please scroll to page 5 for information regarding Shropshire BEAM October half term Workshops.

Beam

Shropshire Telford and Wrekin

Important Notice for parents of children that access After school club and Holiday Club

Please be aware that the emergency contact number for out of school hours and holiday club is

07340 751171

During term time, please do not use the emergency number between the hours of **7.30am - 3.45pm**,

The nursery office is open term time only 7.30am—3.45pm Mon—Thursday

Date	Dates for your Diary
W/C 6 th Nov	Diwali Activity Week
Monday 13 th Nov	Odd Sock day. Click here to find out more.
Friday 17 th Nov	Children in Need – Come dressed in yellow and spots
W/C 20 th Nov	Stay and Play – <i>details to follow</i>
Monday 18 th Dec	Christmas Nativity— <i>morning and afternoon performances</i>
Tuesday 19 th Dec	Christmas Nativity — <i>morning and afternoon performances</i>
Wednesday 20 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 20 th Dec	Christmas dinner – for children who attend on Wed
Friday 22 nd Dec	Christmas Party – end of term.



Our theme in nursery this term is called:

Let's Celebrate Autumn



Baby Room & Holiday Club

For all the parents whose children attend in the holiday we have planned for some Halloween fun!

The children will be baking, creating and exploring the outdoor area.
Here are just a few of the fun activities available: making bats in the creative studio and black cat spoons.

We will be baking delicious treats called 'chocolate ghostly brownies' and learning spooky songs like 'Five Little Pumpkins' and 'Five Little Ghosts'.

A timetable of daily activities for both babies and holiday club will go on the door at the entrance, so you can see each day the fun activities available.

All children and staff attending on the 31st of October can come dressed up, for Halloween party celebrations – **could we ask that children do not wear masks as part of their outfit.**



Some of the fun activities that babies will enjoy this week include:

Making handprint bats by painting hands and printing on paper.
Exploring pumpkins in many ways such as rolling, painting and making sensory pumpkin soup and finding out what is inside of a pumpkin.

Toddler Room

After half term in the Toddler room we will be celebrating Diwali **'the festival of light'**.

We will be sharing the story of Rama and Sita and learning about some of the traditions when celebrating Diwali.

On the playdough table we will be creating diva lamps using brightly coloured playdough and adding sequins, making them sparkle. On the finger gym we will be creating Rangoli patterns using patten blocks.

On the mark making table we will be creating Diwali cards and also decorating hand templates inspired by "Henna designs".

In the art studio we will also be celebrating Remembrance Day learning about poppies and creating our own using a variety of craft resources.

Our song of the week is "Its Diwali"



Preschool

After half term in the pre-school room we will be celebrating Diwali, **'the festival of light'**.

We will learning about the story of Rama and Sita through handling original artefacts and on the playdough table we will be creating fireworks with gems and glitter.

On the writing table we will be creating Diwali cards for our friends and decorating paper hands with mehndi patterns.

In the role play area children will be able to order their favourite food in the Indian restaurant and in the art area we will creating a poppy wreath to in preparation for remembrance day.

Our rhyme of the week is 'It's Diwali'.

Bonfire Night is nearly here.

Click on the firework to access top tips on how to keep safe and have fun on bonfire night



My First Festivals

Find out more about our upcoming festivals with your child. Click on the images to access the short video clips.



Bonfire night

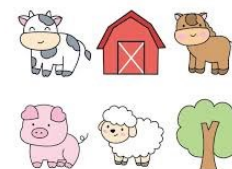


Diwali



HEALTH PROTECTION HUB

ADVICE ON FARM VISITS WITH CHILDREN



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have received the following advice from our local health protection hub,

With half-term approaching you may be considering taking your child/children on a farm visit.

All animals naturally carry a range of micro-organisms, some of which can be transmitted to humans, where they may cause ill health. Some of these, such as *E. coli* O157 or *Cryptosporidium* (Crypto), have the potential to cause serious illness which may be particularly severe in young children. We see many cases of Crypto each year in the Health Protection Hub, particularly among children, and it's a miserable experience for them and their parents.

Follow these practical steps to help keep your child safe and healthy:

- Avoid touching faces or putting fingers in mouths while in farm environments.
- Don't kiss farm animals or allow children to put their faces close to animals.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after touching animals, fences or other surfaces in animal areas.
- Don't eat or drink while touching animals or walking round the farm and only eat and drink in picnic areas or cafes.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before eating or drinking.
- Remove and clean boots or shoes that might have become soiled and clean pushchair wheels, then wash hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- Don't use gels or wipes instead of washing hands with soap and water - gels and wipes don't remove *E. coli* O157 or Crypto.
- Supervise children closely to make sure they wash their hands thoroughly.
- If someone in the family has diarrhoea or vomiting after visiting a farm or animal visitor attraction, wash all dirty clothes, bedding and towels in the washing machine on the hottest wash cycle possible. Encourage good hand hygiene after using the toilet, washing hands thoroughly with soap and running water. Clean toilet seats, toilet bowls, flush handles, taps, hand basins and any other areas that might have been soiled with detergent and hot water, rinsing with household disinfectant. Visit the doctor and explain that they have had recent contact with animals. Please also contact the attraction you visited and inform them of the illness.

Other Useful Information






SEND Support & Play For Early Years Families

Our group supports parents and carers within Telford & Wrekin, whose child has special educational needs and/or a disability, including parents whose children have a diagnosis of Autism

Come and join us for our fortnightly group!

1st Monday of the month, 9:15am to 10:45am @ our Family Zone, Hazledine House.

3rd Monday of the month, 9:15am to 10:15am @Dobbies Soft Play, Donnington (booking essential to secure your free play)

Term time only & excluding Bank Holidays

Telford SENDIASS and Telford Childrens Autism Hub 4EYF offers you:


- A safe play area for children where parents can relax and have a chat.
- Guest speakers form relevant organisations to talk the support they can provide.
- A non-judgmental environment for the children to play, socialise and be themselves.
- An understanding environment filled with support, friendship & advice.



To register for our Early Years SEND Support group please call 01952 260062 or email childrensautism@tandwcvcs.org.uk

A project of Telford & Wrekin CVS
Suite 12 to 15 Hazledine House, Central Square
Telford Centre, Telford, TF3 4JL

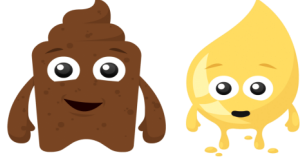




The Children's Bowel & Bladder Charity

ERIC – the children's bowel and bladder charity are hosting online parent/carers workshops over the next month via webinars.

Click [here](#) or on the image below to access the website to signup



Some topics include:

- ◆ How to tackle potty and toilet avoidance
- ◆ How to help your child relax for toilet sits
- ◆ How to go about toilet training when your child has additional needs
- ◆ How to manage your child's bedwetting

Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin Dental Advice Line

Do you have an urgent dental problem or need dental advice?



Are you looking for an NHS dentist for routine care?

Monday to Friday
0800-2100

01743 237916



Shropshire Community Health 

Telford Public Health Nursing Service




Healthy you, Healthy Future

Telephone Number 0333 358 3328

Text 07520 619 053

School nurse 07520 619 051

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excluding bank holidays



SHROPSHIRE BEAM OCTOBER HALF TERM WORKSHOPS

Day	Workshop
Tuesday 31st October	Mindfulness Moments 11:30am-12:30pm (All Ages) Emotions Skill Builders 3pm-4pm (Secondary School Ages)
Thursday 2nd November	NEW DATE & TIME: Understanding Emotions 10:00am-11:00am (Primary School Ages) Creative Writing 3pm-4pm (Secondary School Ages)
Saturday 4th November	Arts & Crafts 1pm-2pm (All Ages)

Our workshops are run on a drop-in basis, and are held at our Wellington base. Our workshops are first-come, first-serve; therefore, please arrive promptly if you wish to join as we have limited spaces available. Please note: to use any of our services, including our workshops, you must be registered with us. You can register beforehand at www.childrenssociety.org.uk/beamshropshire or you can register with us when you turn up!

All workshops will be held at our Wellington base: 9 Market Square, Wellington, TF1 1BP.

