



## NOVEMBER NEWS

We would like to welcome all the children and parents back to nursery after the half-term break.

### THEMES AND INTEREST TABLES

Our themes for the month of November are **Space**, **Nocturnal animals** and **Road Safety**.  
Our colours are **Black** and **White** and our shape is a **circle**.



### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

A special well done to the children for making such a big effort to be kind.



During November we will be thinking about sharing.

Sharing  
Is  
Caring





## **TOGETHER TIME**

For our November 'Together Time' please talk to your child about the importance of caring for animals as the colder weather approaches. Perhaps put some cat or dog food on a saucer at night. You will know if there are hedgehogs in your garden if the food is eaten and the saucer upturned. You could also make bird cakes to hang in your garden. Please see attached bird cake recipe.

## **OTHER SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES**

### **Language Development**

- Reinforce the names of nocturnal animals (owl, hedgehog, bat, badger etc.

### **Early Mathematical Development**

- Have fun finding shapes in the environment e.g. what shape is the door, window etc?
- Search for items of a particular colour

### **Physical Development**

- Practise using a knife and fork
- Use empty containers in the sink or bath to practise pouring skills
- Develop scissor skills by cutting strips of paper with safety scissors

### **The Arts**

- Use junk art to make space rockets





## Dates for your Diary

- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November- Jo Jingles
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November- Shared Education- Play date with Acorn Integrated Nursery Unit
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November- Poppin Pilates
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November - Happy Healthy Kids Stay and Play @ 1pm- Mrs Wylie's class
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Happy Healthy Kids Stay and Play @ 1pm- Mrs Keaveney's class

GETTING READY TO LEARN



***It was lovely to have you along to nursery for stay and play fun, with your child, last month. We are looking forward to welcoming you back, later in the month. We will also be sending 'lending bags' home, each week, after half term. Information sessions will continue to be shared on Seesaw.***





These are just some of the rhymes and songs  
that we like to sing in nursery.  
Perhaps you may like to practise them with  
your child at home.

Porridge is bubbling, bubbling hot,  
Stir it round and round in the pot.  
The bubbles plip! The bubbles plop!  
It's ready to eat, all bubbling hot.



There's a wide-eyed owl with a pointed  
nose,  
Two pointed ears and claws for his toes.  
He sits in a tree and he looks at you,  
He flaps his wings and cries,  
Tu-whit-Tu-whoo, Tu-whit-Tu-whoo.



2 little hedgehogs sitting by a shed,  
1 called Marybelle, one called Fred.  
Curl up Marybelle, curl up Fred,  
2 little hedgehogs sitting by a shed.

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1 called Marybelle, one called Fred.  
Peek a boo Marybelle, Peek a boo Fred,  
2 little hedgehogs sitting by a shed.



Climb aboard the space ship, we're  
going to the moon.  
Hurry and get ready, we're going to  
blast off soon.  
Put on your helmets, and buckle up  
real tight.  
Here comes the count down, let's  
count with all our might.

10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 BLAST OFF!  
(Tune: Incey Wincey Spider)

5 little men in a flying saucer,  
flew round the world one day.  
They looked left and right, but they  
didn't like the sight,  
So one man flew away.

Continue with 4, 3, 2, 1



I am a rocket crouched on the  
ground,  
Waiting quietly without a sound.  
Light this fuse on my little toe,  
Ready for take-off – here we go!

WHOOOOOOOSSSSSSHHHHH!



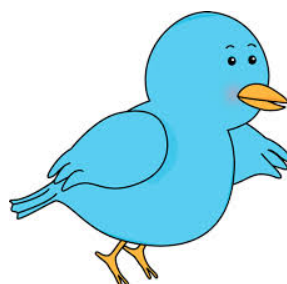
## Bird cake recipe

**\*Not suitable for children with nut allergies\***

**\*Note that bird seed, including peanuts bought for birds, are not suitable for human consumption\***

### You will need:

- Bird seed
- Raisins
- Peanuts
- Grated cheese
- Lard
- An empty yoghurt pot



### Steps:

Carefully make a small hole in the bottom of a yoghurt pot. Thread string through the hole and tie a knot on the inside. Leave enough string so that you can tie the pot to a tree or bird table. Allow the lard to warm up to room temperature, but don't melt it. Cut the lard into small pieces and put it in a bowl. Add the other ingredients and squeeze the mixture together with your hands until the fat holds it altogether. Fill your yoghurt pots with bird cake mixture and put it in the fridge to set for an hour or so. Take your bird cake out of the fridge and carefully cut the pot away from the cake and hang up in the garden.