Autumn 2 2026 Nursery

Exploring Autumn

This half term is about exploration and finding out about autumn. Why do leaves change colour and go crispy, and what is inside a conker shell? We will be exploring these questions and many more as we find out about conkers and other autumn treasures. We will explore the school grounds and think about how things change over time. We will be using our imagination to go on our very own Bear Hunt and find out about which animals hibernate for the winter. We will use natural materials to make artwork and look at shape and colour as we explore different leaves. We will sing autumn songs and rhymes.





This half term is filled with lots of exciting celebrations. We will learn about Fireworks night, Diwali, Birthdays, Hannukah, Christmas and more.



Our Core Text is We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen

Ideas to help at home:

You could get out and about in the local woodland and look at the trees and watch how they change over the next few weeks. See what nuts and seeds you can find and investigate what animals might use them for food. You could practice counting with found objects and comparing size and shape.

Take photos or draw pictures of any celebrations you share in your family and talk about why they are special to you.



Reminders

Please provide your child with only essential items:

- Named spare clothes (including underwear and socks)
- A coat, hat and gloves (all named)
- Wellington boots to remain in school
- A named lunch box (if attending an afternoon or all day session)
- A named, refillable water bottle that is taken home each day for washing.

The adults in nursery are:

Mrs A Smith (Nursery Manager)

Mrs James (Phase 1 leader)

Mrs M Surman and Ms G Smith (Teaching Assistants)

Mrs Woods and Mrs Waters (Teaching Assistants)

Miss Varney (Lunchtime Supervisor)