

Welcome to Poppins Day Nursery Autumn newsletter, we are approaching a very busy term, so we will start with some important dates for your diary.

Monday 6th September - Autumn term begins/ Nursery Educational Funding (NEF) recommences.

W/C Monday 20th September - Oral health week.

Friday 1st October - Harvest Festival

W/C 25th October - Half term - No Nursery Educational Funding this week

Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October - Pumpkin carving competition, please bring in your pumpkin for the competition this week

Friday 29th October - Halloween party - please bring your child dressed up for the day.

Thursday 4th November - Diawli

Friday 5th November - bonfire night

Thursday 11th November - Remembrance Day - please bring your child in red for the day.

Friday 19th November - PJ day - Children in need

W/C 6th December - Healthy eating week

Wednesday 8th December - Preschool Nativity Play

Wednesday 15th December - Christmas dinner and party day - please send your child in their party clothes.

Friday 17th December - Nursery Educational Funding ends.



Parents/Carers! Your child is truly amazing and throughout your child's life they will make some mighty significant steps on their journey of development. Together we would like to show the children how proud we all are of these moments and celebrate their individual achievements. These are what we call at nursery our Proud Cloud moments. So, if outside of nursery your child has perhaps tried something new for the first time (food, drink, standing, walking, talking, using the potty), or maybe enjoyed a trip or activity, please upload a photo to us via the blossom app. By doing this your child's key worker is then able to add this to your child's learning journey and use this as an interest for them to achieve and

enhance their learning here at nursery. **EYFS - it is important for parents and early years settings to have a strong and respectful partnership. This sets the scene for children to thrive in the early years.**



Calling all witches, goblins, and ghouls it's time for a Halloween party on Friday 29th October, please feel free to bring your child in their Halloween costume to join in with ghoulish games, freaky fun and to enjoy some frightening food! We will be holding a pumpkin carving competition throughout this week and the winner will be announced on at our Halloween party. Please send us some photos of your child carving their pumpkin via blossom.



Holidays and Absences - Although nursery attendance is not statutory, it is important for parents/carers to report their child's absence to nursery on the first day. Nursery has to follow guidelines set out by the local authority regarding the regular attendance of all children. Please report all absences on our landline number 01543 493433.



Appropriate clothing - with British weather, we all know we can experience all seasons in one day and we understand how tricky it can be! We would appreciate you planning for that and trying to provide clothing suitable for the day. Even if it seems warm all children need a coat or jacket for the garden and if possible, welly boots when it is wet. Baby room has asked for hats and shoes every day for the babies, even those who are not yet walking to give them the opportunity to cruise along in the garden/ride on the wheeled toys. Thank you.

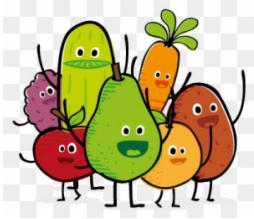


Oral Health Week - Week Commencing 20th September

During the Early Years Foundation Stage, a child's first experience with oral health can impact on the rest of their life. That's why it's so important to teach them about their mouth. Helping children develop healthy habits to care for their teeth while they are young is important. These habits can set the stage for good oral health care throughout their entire life. They can avoid many of the problems that result from poor oral health, including gum disease, cavities and tooth decay.



Dental buddy is a programme that provides educational resources for Early Years Education, Dental Buddy's messages for children are simple: Brush your teeth for two minutes twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste.



Healthy eating week - week commencing 6th December

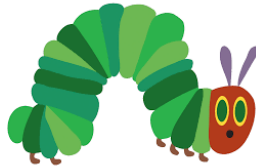
A healthy and balanced diet is important for all children, but even more so in a child's early years as it sets up eating habits for when they are older. Children need good diets in their early years as this gives their bodies a chance to properly grow; children need carbohydrates for their energy and protein for their muscle growth and to strengthen their immune system.



Children in need - Friday 19th November

We will be raising money for "children in need" by having a pyjama day - Please bring a £1.00 donation and come to nursery in your Pj's for the day.

News from the rooms.....



Caterpillars

Welcome to all new babies, parents and carers to the baby room, we understand this is a daunting time for you all and a new adventure in your baby's life, we are here to help you with any questions you may have, to make this transition into baby room.

Some babies adapt well in a new environment and others may take some time to settle in, please do not worry to much as your baby will have formed a strong bond to you as parents and will need time to adjust. We will be helping them to settle right in with lots of nurturing care and attention along with fun activities.

EYFS - PSE - 0-3 years - find ways to calm themselves, through being calmed and comforted by their key person.

In September babies will be exploring autumn as they take a step into the autumn woods, this will give the babies opportunities to get messy as they create autumn pictures and explore autumn objects. Babies will explore an autumn treasure baskets as well as different sensory items which babies will collect from our natural garden. Treasure baskets are a great way to develop holistic development and can easily be created at home too!! Feel free to ask a member of staff for any ideas. Babies will also be given the opportunity to explore mini beasts and stick insects that we may find in the garden, especially when digging for worms!

EYFS - UW - 0-3 years - explore materials with different properties.

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October will soon be approaching us, in this month babies will explore different fruits and vegetables as they celebrate the Harvest Festival, we will be using these items to create different prints and

also explore food tasting to find out their personal likes and dislikes to the different foods. Within this month babies will be celebrating Halloween where they will be making spooky Halloween paintings and exploring pumpkins. Our younger babies will explore a Halloween themed treasure basket with a range of sensory items, keep your eyes peeled for photos on blossom!

EYFS - EAD - 0-3 years - explore paint, using fingers and other parts of their bodies as well as brushes and other tools.

November is the month for remembering! Babies will be getting messy as they create their poppy pictures and explore all red items. Bonfire night also takes part in this month, babies will be creating bright colourful firework pictures and will be creating their own rockets! Within this month babies will also be celebrating Diwali, this is the festival of light. Babies will be creating their own lanterns and will use lots of glitter within this celebration.

EYFS - EAD - 0-3 years - explore different materials, using all their senses to investigate them. Manipulate and play with different materials.

In December, our babies will be getting ready for the arrival of SANTA!!! As they get messy creating their Christmas crafts, ranging from cards to calendars, decorations to delicious treats. Remember no peaking until Christmas day! Babies will also be taking part in our nursery Christmas party where we will celebrate the festive season and have a visit from the big man himself! This month babies will also be touching upon winter with treasure baskets and making snowflakes for our winter display.

Butterflies

Firstly, a big warm welcome to all our new butterflies, we hope you have lots of fun during your stay with us, butterflies that have recently moved into the ladybird room will be having lots of fun as they continue their journey.



This term we are encouraging children to settle into and explore the butterfly room and their new environment, to make relationships with their key worker and other children. The butterfly room encourages and supports children to get to know routines and expectations within the room such as where things are kept, to put toys away safely and to play in a safe environment. It enables children to join in and play with each other and their key person where they can explore both indoors and outdoors in all weathers! The butterfly room gives children the opportunity to become independent in personal care such as dressing/undressing, feeding/drinking, toileting and handwashing.

EYFS - PD - 0-3 years - show an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress or undress.

In September, the butterfly room will be looking closely at Autumn as the season begins to change, they will be creating autumn pictures using the fallen autumn leaves in forest school, where they will be exploring the colours of the leaves, sizes and counting how many leaves they may find. Children will use autumn colours to create their own pictures and will use the collect autumn leaves to create collages. The butterfly room will be changing their role play area into a fruit and veg shop, this will give the children the opportunity to use their imagination to create play and act out past experiences. The fruit and veg shop will implement and enhance healthy eating as they explore real life fruit and veg to role play with and will also be given the opportunity to taste the different fruit and veg.

We will also be updating our family board, please could you send your family photos, the children love to look at them. You are welcome to send them to us via email (info@thepoppinsdaynursery.co.uk)

EYFS - UW- 0-3 years - makes connections between the features of their family and other families.

With October soon approaching, the children are going to be learning about harvest and celebrating the harvest festival by creating lovely picture by using fruit to print, this will give them the opportunity to learn new fruit names and colours. They will also be given the experience of tasting different fruits and showing their personal likes and dislikes. We will also be making lots of spooky pictures in time for Halloween and dressing up to celebrate in style. We are providing a range of messy activities for them to get involved using a range of materials and resources, the children will have the opportunity to explore different textures and handle different mark making tools such as sponges, brushes, glue sticks, felt pens and many more. Butterflies will also be changing their role play area into a witches house for children to use their imagination and create play.

EYFS - EAD - 0-3 years - express ideas and feelings through making marks, and sometimes give a meaning to the marks they make.

Throughout November the children will celebrate the festival of Diwali (the festival of light) where they will use paints and glitter to create their lanterns and make them glow. Bonfire night we will use bright coloured paints for children to mark make with to create their own fireworks and bonfire paintings. Within this month is also Remembrance Day where the children will take time to remember the brave people and create their own poppies using a variety of red items and by wearing something red on this day.

December, children will be getting ready for SANTA!! They will do this by getting creative and messy as they create their Christmas surprises for you! Children will have the opportunity to take on their role in play as they explore Santa's workshop! Pretending to be elves and wrapping up the presents. Butterflies will be having the return of elf on the shelf! I'm sure they will be telling you all about the elves' tricks and troubles! Butterflies will be getting into the Christmas spirit as they take part in our Christmas party and dinner day and have a special visit from Santa in time for the big day!

EYFS - EAD - 0-3 years - start to develop pretend play, pretending that one object represents another.

Ladybirds

A big warm welcome to all our new children, we hope you settle in well and enjoy ladybird life!

We are very excited about our forest school project and the learning opportunities it will provide for all children to learn outdoors through nature. Forest school is a unique way of building independence, self-esteem and a positive attitude towards learning in children and young people as they explore and experience the natural world for themselves. A combination of freedom and responsibility is beneficial to children's wellbeing and confidence. You can find out more about forest schools from the following link - www.forestschoolluk.co.uk



EFYS - UW - 3-4 years - uses all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials.

September will be the start of a brand new term. We will be welcoming the new starters by exploring 'all about me' enabling children to develop their confidence. The children will have the opportunity to talk about themselves, their families and their favourite things to do. They will also be updating the family book, could you please send in your family photos to info@thepoppinsdaynursery.co.uk.

EYFS - UW - 3-4 years - begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history.

This term we are encouraging the new younger children to begin recognising their own names, to help with this we will be making them name pegs which they will find each day as they come into nursery, each child will have a drawer with the same picture as their peg. We will also be helping the children to sit together in small groups, listening to stories and joining in with songs and rhymes. We will be discussing the new season Autumn and the changes. We will be leaf collecting which we will then use to print and explore using our senses as well as to develop our letters and sounds when exploring new words. Our role play room will be changing into a bakery as we use our imagination to act out past experiences and to take on our role in play with the other children, this will then link in with cookery club as will be baking things you will find in a bakery this half term.

EYFS - EAD - 3-4 years - take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else even though they are not similar.

In October, we will be looking at fruits and vegetables visually using language to describe and using senses to investigate, this will support our learning as we explore the harvest festival. Children will be tasting these different fruits and will be encouraged to use language to describe how they taste. Within this month children will be celebrating Halloween through spooky spider activities and pumpkin sensory, children will participate in our Halloween party, don't forget your spectacular spooky costumes! They will be turning the role play room into a costume shop where children can role play picking a Halloween costume to wear for the party!

EYFS - PD - 3-4 years - Be increasingly independent as they get dressed and undressed, for example, putting on coats and doing up zips.

Remember in November! Preschool children will explore Remembrance Day by creating poppies and looking at monuments around the country. Preschool will learn the importance of this special day and why we celebrate this day every year, don't forget to wear your red clothes! We will explore bonfire night by creating pictures using paints to splatter onto their pictures to create firework. In cookery club we will be making our own sparklers using breadsticks, these will taste yummy! We will also be celebrating Diwali in November by creating our own lanterns as we explore the festival of light.

With December approaching, children will be getting creative as they create their special Christmas gifts for you to enjoy. Preschool children will be practising their nativity play for their parents, make sure you bring your tissues! Preschool will take party in our Christmas party and dinner day, please send your child in their party clothes on this day! Preschool will be role playing a Christmas post office as they write their letters to santa!

Our maths target this term is to show 'finger numbers' up to 5. (EYFS - M -3-4 years)

Our literacy target this term is to understand the names of different parts of a book. (EYFS - L - 3-4 years).