

Poppins Post – November, December and January

General News

- We hope you have all settled into school/ nursery life and have enjoyed the first half term back.
- We would like to say a big welcome to Heather who has joined the Poppins Team and hope by now you have all had time to meet with her.
- As the weather is getting colder now can you ensure that your children come to nursery with water proof coats, hat and gloves so that they are prepared for any weather and can still enjoy the outdoors. Please can we also remind parents and carers to clearly label these with your child's name to avoid any mix ups.
- If you have not liked our Facebook page then please do. We add photos regularly of the children engaging in different activities so you can see what they have been up to and use it as a means to pass any messages to you all. We ask permission for your child to be on our Facebook page when you first join, if no longer wish your child to be on the page anymore then please let us know.
- Comments and Suggestions - As part of developing our service we always like to collect your views and suggestions and act upon them where possible. If you would like to give us some feedback, recommend an idea you may have or just praise the girls for the work they do with your child then we now have comments and suggestions forms in reception. Please feel free to collect a form and return via the black box on the wall by the menus. You can put your name if you like or forms can remain anonymous.
- Please can we also remind all parents/carers to close both gates to the nursery both on entry and when leaving the nursery in order to maintain security of the premises.
- Can we also remind parents that if you need to change your sessions for any reason or terminate your place at the nursery we require four weeks written notice as stated in our terms and conditions.
- There will be an annual increase in fees from January 2019. A revised price list will be displayed in the entrance.

Dates For Your diary

November

- 5th November- Bonfire night
- 11th November - Remembrance Sunday
- 16th- Children in need- we shall be holding a 'PJ Day'.
- 21st- Fancy Dress Day

December

- 1st- Christmas Fayre- come along and meet Mr Clause
- 13th - Christmas Nativity
- 19th Christmas Party
- 14th Nursery Funding Ends
- 19th- Christmas Dinner
- 24th- Nursery closes for Christmas (4pm close)

January

- 2nd- Nursery re-opens

Room News



Caterpillar Room

Firstly we would like to welcome all the new babies that we have had join the nursery. We hope you are all settling in well and having lots of fun. In the meantime if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Kirsty (Baby room leader) or Louise (Nursery Manager).

November

Throughout November the children will be exploring Autumn. Looking at leaves, conkers and acorns and exploring natural objects and textures. We will be doing lots of messy activities as sensory development and stimulation is important with this age range. We will also be using the outdoor environment and letting the children explore and play in the leaves and mud, collecting natural resources and creating woodland animals as part of a developing sensory board.

Look out for bonfire night and firework pictures that we will be creating this month!

December

In December we will be focussing on Christmas and winter themed activities such as ice play, frozen shaving foam and ice cubes, making glittery pictures and using Christmas resources again as stimulation for the babies to explore textures and uses their senses.

The caterpillar room will be getting very creative this month in making their very own Rudolph Christmas cards and tree decorations to share with their loved ones.

We look forward to settling everyone back into nursery after a lovely Christmas with family.

January

We would like to welcome you all back after Christmas and cannot wait to see and share experiences with both babies and parents about their Christmases- we hope Santa was kind to you all!

This month we will be updating our art gallery using lots of glitter, snow, card cut outs and paints to create unique winter themed pictures.

We shall also be focusing this month on potty training as we have many children in the room reaching this stage. We will be using fun activities such as role play and story times to develop understanding. In addition to this we will be sure to encourage children to physically use the potty at toileting times, and the good hygiene routines that follow. If you have any questions about potty training please speak to the baby room staff.



Butterfly Room

The children in Butterfly room are looking forward to a creative few months.

November

This month we are very excited to talk about and explore 'Bonfire night' where the children will be given the opportunity to create their very own 'Bonfire' inspired art work using glitter, materials, paints, chalks etc. In addition to this they will be making edible sparklers from bread stick, chocolate and sprinkles! YUM!

Closely followed by the exploration of 'Remembrance Sunday' where we shall be making our very own poppies.

November is an important month for raising awareness of 'Children in Need' and we intend to support this awareness by holding a PJ Day, We thank you in advance for your support.

December

We hear 'Sleigh bells ringing' and this month we are getting very crafty in making Christmas cards, stockings, decorations and baking cookies! 😊 . We are also very much looking forward to the Christmas Fayre where we will have the chance to chat to Santa himself! We shall be making wreaths using pasta, string and bows and look forward to showing off our very unique Christmas decorations. In true Christmas tradition we will be putting up and decorating our very own tree in the butterfly room where we will get the chance to make and hang our very own handmade decorations! We will use this opportunity to develop both our understanding of the world and communication skills by talking to the children about Christmas traditions and what will be going on their Christmas list to Santa.

January

During January we will be welcoming the children back after their Christmas break and look forward to hearing all about their exciting adventures and experiences over the Christmas period.

We will be off to a flying start January in talking and learning all about Spring. The children will have opportunities to look at pictures of spring, take a walk in search for signs of spring and even make their very own spring themed murals on the windows using simple foam sheets and water! They will also be decorating their very own flower pots in the garden and planting seeds. They will discuss growth and decay as part of this topic.



Ladybird Room

November

Throughout the next few months we will be doing a range of activities. Remembrance Sunday is on the 11th November and we will be doing Poppy pictures and talking to the children about remembering people who are special to us.

Bonfire and firework pictures will be made ready for Bonfire night! Lots of glitter and sparkle as well as talking about safety around a bonfire.

We shall also be talking about Diwali and introducing the children to the concept of other beliefs and festivals.

Alongside this we will also be beginning to prepare for our Christmas nativity play and therefore will be asking for your help at home with assisting the children in practicing and remembering lines.

December

We will be creating a 'Santa's workshop' in our role play area and look forward to getting into the Christmas spirit this month. Children will have chance to explore colours, Christmas themes, wrapping, posting, cutting etc in the workshop. We look forward to making Christmas crafts for our family and friends, exploring Christmas stories, playing Christmas games and enjoying a yummy Christmas dinner. Please don't forget to come along and say hello to the big man himself (Santa) at our Christmas fayre on Saturday 1st.

January

We would like to welcome you all back and hope you all had a lovely Christmas! We cannot wait to hear all about what exciting things you have been up to.

During January we shall be exploring Spring and in doing this we will be getting very creative making our very own delicious chocolate bird nests! Another exciting activity we will be doing is using green fingers to create a painted blossom tree effect with broccoli! We are looking forward to sharing our creations with you!

Our focus for Literacy is: Exploration of letters and sounds.

Our focus for numeracy is: Recognising numerals and beginning to write numerals.

