



Acorns Nursery

Newsletter 13th March 2026

What we have been learning this week!

This week we have been learning all about bugs and their habitats. After the children discovered a ladybird in the garden, they became very interested in bug hunting! We followed their interests and headed around the garden and into our woodland area to search for more minibeasts. It was exciting to find worms, bees and even a millipede. The children had lots of opportunities to talk about the bugs they discovered and where they live.

The children have also been busy mark making around the garden using water and paintbrushes. They enjoyed painting outside and exploring different ways to create marks and patterns.

To celebrate International Women's Day and Mother's Day, the children loved making special cards and colouring pictures for their mum or a special lady in their lives. What a lovely way to celebrate!

We have also been practising a new song with Makaton signs, and we are looking forward to performing it at our upcoming Special Ladies Stay and Play session.

In maths, the children have been busy counting how many children are sitting at the snack table and working out how many cups, breadsticks and bagels are needed. This has been a great way to practise counting and problem solving in a real-life situation.

The books we have enjoyed this week are *Peppa Pig's Picnic*, *Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy* and *Don't Put Your Finger in the Jelly, Nelly!*

It was wonderful to see so many families attend our Art Gallery event, where the children proudly showed their artwork. They have done a woof-tastic job!

Next week we will be learning...

Next week we will continue learning about different minibeasts. The children will have the opportunity to create minibeast homes using a variety of wooden loose parts, encouraging creativity and problem solving as they think about where bugs like to live.

We will be enjoying the stories *Come on Daisy* and *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, which will help us explore themes of nature, growth and animals.

During our Bucket Time sessions, we will be extending the activities into an exciting mark making show, where the children can watch paint move across contrasting paper. This will encourage curiosity and exploration as the children observe how colours and paint travel and spread.

In PE, we will be moving our bodies in different ways inspired by minibeasts. The children will practise flying like a bumblebee, crawling like a ladybird and slithering like a slug.

The children will also begin exploring patterns using colourful Easter eggs and will create pieces of Easter-themed artwork using a range of materials and media.

Reminders

Please bring a water bottle for your child to each session. We kindly encourage bottles to contain water only rather than juice. Thank you for your support.

Please ensure your child comes to nursery with appropriate outdoor clothing and a full set of spare clothes. If spare clothes are not provided, your child may be unable to take part in outdoor play or some activities.

Session times –

Morning session 8.50-11.50.

Afternoon session 12.20-3.20.

Children need to be collected by this time. Children collected after these times may incur a late charge.

Dates for your diary

Spring Term 2026

-Friday 13th March 9am-10am
Special Ladies Day Stay and Play.

-Friday 20th March Easter Bingo Night and non-uniform Day for a contribution of a chocolate treat.

-Wednesday 25th March Easter Bonnet Parade (If your child does not usually attend a Wednesday and would still like to make an Easter Bonnet, please send a photograph of them and their bonnets – We would love to see them!)

-Thursday 26th March Parents evening. Please complete your booking slip.

- Friday 27th March at 2.30pm, school closes for Easter break.

- Monday 13th April, school re-opens.

-Thursday 7th May, parent workshop in phonological awareness. 1.45-2.45pm.

Home Learning...

Head outdoors on a bug hunt, we look forward to finding out about what you find!

Comments

Miss Roberts will be finishing on 27th March to enjoy some well-deserved time to relax and spend time with her girls before the arrival of her baby boy. We wish her lots of rest and special family moments as she prepares to welcome her new little one.