



# CLASSROOM newsletter

Sept  
2023



## Important Dates

**October Holiday Club** - 23rd - 27th October  
**Autumn Term Ends** - Friday 22nd December

### Suncream/Wellie Boots

Please continue to apply sun cream if we do have a few more hot days. Equally please pack appropriate clothing for colder days, including wellie boots and or spare footwear. Please ensure items of clothing are labelled as it makes our job a lot easier when trying to find items at the end of each day. Just using a biro or sharpie on the label or inside the wellies is perfect.

## CLASSROOM NEWS - OWLS

We are extremely excited to be welcoming everybody back to Nursery for the start of the Autumn term. The Owls team will be Julie - Room Manager, Louise - Deputy Manager, Lucy, Harriet, Jo, Nesta, and soon to join us, Natalie.

Our classroom will now be divided it into two again, Owls have returned to being in the main school room and Squirrels are in the bottom end and the chalet. This will mean that our group will have a maximum of 24 children on any one day, which will also be split into two each morning after snack for walks, and again in the afternoon after lunch. Julie will lead one group and Louise will lead the other.

Our theme at the start of this term will be Our Bodies and Food. This will include exploring parts of our bodies through stories, songs, x-rays on the light box, a doctors surgery role, measuring heights on a height chart, and using mark making tools to make self-portraits, representing our facial features, and looking closely at how we are similar and different. We will then go on to explore healthy eating and a healthy lifestyle, participating in fruit tasting and cookery activities including pizza faces and making bread. Our core stories for September are Handa's Surprise and The Little Red Hen. Handa's Surprise home story packs will be coming out shortly, for you to enjoy at home. In October, we then go on to explore Autumn, collecting autumnal treasures for our artwork, counting and sorting with leaves and conkers, autumn cookery and enjoying Owl Babies and Room on the Broom as our core stories. These experiences will be explored through group times involving a short carpet session with stories or songs followed by an adult led activity and free play experiences related to the theme.

If your child has any exciting experiences, or topics of interest that you feel they could share with the group, please send in any photos through Tapestry or to the Early Days email and we will share them in class. This is a great way of encouraging confidence and language.

Your child will have a labelled peg in the corridor for bags and coats, and a drawer in the classroom that they will put any artwork in or items that they wish to take home.

We will continue to use 'Tapestry' for learning observations and experiences for each child. However, to ensure we have maximum time focusing on the children, their needs and providing stimulating activities, etc. we will often send a group observation which will include our activities from the day, alongside personal observations, which will highlight an interest or a next step we feel they are ready to achieve. These next steps may be, being able to focus when listening in a group to a story, show interest in mark making, beginning to use numbers in their play, etc.

If your child does have any needs or changes to their routine, or anything that may affect their behaviour, please let us know so we can understand why they are out of sorts. Please chat with either your child's key person, Julie, or you can email Gina through the nursery email ([admin@earlydays-nursery.co.uk](mailto:admin@earlydays-nursery.co.uk)) or send a message through Tapestry.

**Julie**

**Louise, Lucy, Nesta, Jo, Harriet and Natalie**



## Let's Welcome

We would like to welcome the following children into Owls:

Skye, Eliza, River, Felix G, Felix H, Ishe, Freddy, Blakely, Albert, Freddie

We are so glad to have you all join us!

## HAPPY Birthday

Sending lots of birthday wishes to all those children celebrating a birthday this half term:

Olivia, Connie, Kit, Joey, Immi, Sebastiano, Jamie, Theo J, Felix G, Felix H, Freddie, Ishe & Blakely

We hope that you enjoy your special day!

