

# Nursery Life

August 2025



#### What we've been up to this month...

This month we have been celebrating party week and saying goodbye to our preschoolers who are moving onto their exciting next chapter of going to school. We celebrated with a Three Gables "smoothie bar" making our own drinks and drinking them out of coconuts, playing pass the parcel, musical chairs and decorating biscuits and making our own Hawaiian necklaces.

We have also been exploring all things tropical and rainforests, we have looked at the animals which live in these environments, the weather on tropical islands, we have made fruit smoothies, explored patterns within the animals found in the jungle. During arts and crafts we have made handprint parrots, paper plate snakes and our very own treasure maps to find buried treasure.



In September we will be looking at the theme of "into the woods". We will talking about the importance of keeping our environment and woodland clean, plants and how they change in autumn. We will think about creatures in the woods and hibernation & how we can look after our natural environment.

We will read stories such as "we are going on a bear hunt" exploring our senses as we follow the story line walking through trays of a variety of different textures mirroring the flow of the story.

#### <u>Activities we will do at nursery:</u>

- Handprint bears
- Creating patterns with natural resources i.e sticks, stones and leaves
- Creating "we are going on a bear hunt" sensory bottles
- Using crayons to complete leaf rubbings
- Building our very own "stick man" using sticks and leaves from our garden
- Getting the garden ready for autumn
- Rain dancing in the garden
- Learning about the seasons & how they change
- Autumn themed sensory trays, filling and pouring
- Paper plate hedgehogs
- Den building, roleplaying camping.















### September's Preschool focus:

We will be starting our new pre-school cohort off by exploring simple letter and number formation and also learning our days of the week song in preparation for the daily register and circle time we do at the beginning of every pre-school group.

## Some ideas to do at home:

- Collect leaves as they start to fall off the trees
- Exploring scissor skills- cutting up the different leaves you find on a woodland walk
- Practice singing the days of the week song
- Woodland themed playdough using leaves, stones, sticks etc.
- Talking about the seasons- how things change as we approach autumn
- Talking about our feelings if some of our friends have gone to school
- Reading the bear hunt story
- Simple filling and pouring using dried pasta, lentils, dried rice exploring different autumn colours

We would love to see any photos of activities & experiences from home via the Interactive Learning Diary!

















