



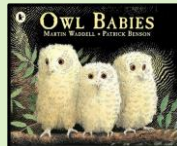
Nursery - Autumn Term 2

We are looking forward to the next half term as it includes the run up to Christmas! Our theme is 'Into the night', through the story of 'Owl Babies', we will explore nocturnal animals and those that hibernate for the Winter. We will have fun investigating light and dark and creating shadows.

Literacy

We will learn the repeated phrase from the book and join in at the right time.

We will use story props to re-tell the story .



We will be looking at different books that relate to our theme including 'Owl Babies', 'Day Monkey, Night Monkey' and Gruffalo's Child'



Understanding of the World

We will continue to explore the outdoor area, observing how the season and weather is changing.

We will explore light and dark and shadows.

We will be learning about the different ways Christmas is celebrated.



Communication and Language

We will be continuing to practise our listening skills during circle times.

We will begin to understand simple questions about 'who' 'what' and 'where'

We will use new vocabulary from the stories we hear.



Maths

1 2 3

Through practical activities and games, we will practice accurate counting, saying one number for each item.

We will be learning number songs and rhymes. We will use our rhymes to help us think about one more and one less.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



We will continue to talk about our emotions and keep practicing to wait our turn and resist the impulse to grab what we want.

We will learn how to keep ourselves safe, indoors and out.



Physical Development

As the weather gets colder, we will be putting on our own coats, hats, and boots ready for outdoor play.

We will be practising using one handed tools, e.g., cutting with scissors.

Expressive Arts and Design



Begin to develop complex stories using small world resources

Remember and sing entire songs.



Work is differentiated to meet the needs and appropriate age requirements of all children in Nursery.

We go out in all weathers, so please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for the weather.

Please ensure your child has a spare change of clothing each day as we often get wet or dirty outdoors (especially socks!)

[If you have any spare socks that you wouldn't mind donating to Nursery that would be much appreciated](#)

Things you can do at home to help this half term

- Talk about the things you can see and hear on woodland walks.
- Share lots of stories with your child, commenting on what you can see in the pictures.
- Play number games (the orchard games are good) to help children to count in sequence and begin to subitise (know a number without having to count e.g spots on a dice)
- Encourage your child to put on/take off their shoes and coat and be responsible for their own items.

Dates to remember:

8th November : Parents' Eve 4-7pm (book on Arbor)

15th November :Parents' Eve 4-7pm (book on Arbor)

22nd and 29th November 9.30-11.30am : Open Days, please share these dates with interested friends.

If you have any questions, we are always available at the door at drop off/collection times, or if you prefer you can email me on Claire.collin@ashlands.school

Thank-you for your continued support.

Mrs Collin and the Nursery Team