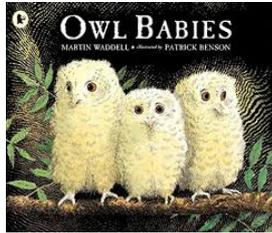


# Nursery Curriculum Information

## Term 2



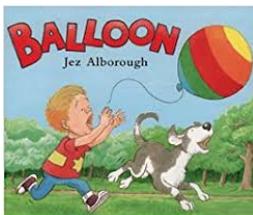
This is a particularly exciting time of year and our planned learning will enable your children to explore new ideas, share knowledge, experience and develop greater understanding of what happens during winter time and how people celebrate cultural festivities. To begin with, the children will develop their skills, by exploring sounds and colour linked to the celebration of bonfire night and then lead onto learning about nocturnal animals and night time. The children will meet Sarah, Percy and Bill in the delightful story of the Owl Babies. A bit later in the term, the children will learn the story of The Christmas Hat; this story stimulates ideas linked to camouflage and the importance of animals keeping safe, in the natural world.

### Literacy Skills: Letters and Sounds

The children in our Nursery school are such amazing learners and show great enthusiasm to want to learn new sounds, letters, words and their different meanings. So far the children have practised and learnt 's' 'a' 't' 'c' and continue to show such wonderful independence to get themselves involved in new literacy experiences.

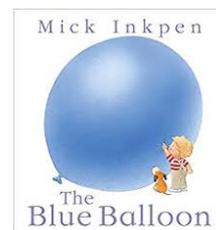
The children are beginning to make greater links between their active learning and applying this to using alliteration to create little rhymes. All of the rhymes practised so far have been to the familiar tune of 'skip to my lou'. Examples can be given when the children played with snakes in spaghetti and sang just that; 'snakes in spaghetti sss' and also when they used scissors to make 'snips in spaghetti sss'. They also practised their knife cutting skills and sung 'cutting the carrots ccc' followed by 'ants on the apple aaa'.

The children are beginning to handle books with greater care and confidence and are developing a real love for stories and rhymes. They have recently been introduced to texts titled 'Oi Dog' 'Oi Frog' and 'Oi Cat' which have not only enabled the children to develop an awareness of rhyme, but has extended possibilities for them to practise and use unfamiliar words, in different contexts.



### This Term

The children will be exploring the letter 'b' through the use of blowing and playing with balloons, painting with blue, blue beads in ice, bubble painting and popping, counting and sorting bears, belly breathing, to name but a few activities. They will also listen to wonderful picture book stories; 'Balloon' by Jez Alborough and 'The Blue Balloon' by Mick Inkpen.



The children will continue exploring sounds and the letters of the alphabet, learning new songs and creating rhymes along the way!

### Parent Workshops

Mrs Symonds is in the process of planning a sequence of workshops designed to share information linked to areas of learning within the early years foundation stage curriculum. The workshops are intended to give you an overview of how your child is taught in school and ways in which you can support and extend your child's learning at home. Please refer to the timetable below which highlights the specific areas of learning; we really hope you can attend.

Date	Time	Area of Learning
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	9.05-9.30am	Letters and Sounds
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	9.05-9.30am	Reading and Writing
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	9.05-9.30am	Number
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	9.05-9.30am	Mindfulness and Wellbeing

### Parent Evening Dates

The Nursery staff will be conducting two evening sessions in which you are welcome to attend and meet with your child's key worker, to discuss learning and progress. A list with time slot availability will be displayed nearer the time.

Date	Time
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2018	3.50-5.50pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018	3.50-5.50pm

### Other Important Dates

You will receive additional information with regards to the events listed below from the Nursery staff.

Date	Event
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	School Photos
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Decorations Day
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Christmas performance

### Our Autumn Learning

