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Autumn 2016 Newsletter

'My Learning Journey'

Your child's Learning Journey is the name given to the developmental records we maintain on your child. The staff are busy updating them currently and we will have them ready for you to view after half term.

We would also like to invite you to add exciting news/events during the term by completing the stars we have handed out, to be displayed on our notice board. If you would like to see your child's Learning Journey during the term please speak directly to your child's Key worker.

In addition we are able to offer a meeting to review your child's Learning Journey.

Term Dates

Begins 5 September 2016

Ends 20 December 2016

October Half Term: 24–28th October 2016

PD Day: 21st October 2016

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 3rd October Woodland Walk, Royston Woods

Monday 10th October Visit from Suffolk Prickles Hedgehog Rescue

Monday 10th October 8pm AGM at Leavenheath Village Hall

Monday 19th December Christmas Party at Little Kingfishers

Welcome

We would like to say hello and welcome to our new Ladybird joining this term –

Corinna

For more news and photos visit:

www.ladybirdsleavenheath.com

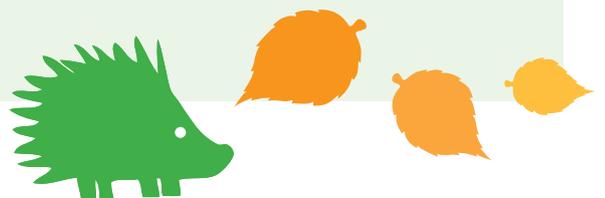
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Our Garden

This Autumn we are going to spend lots of time outside in our new sandpit (thanks to Little Ladybirds) and re-vamping the garden so please make sure the children have suitable footwear depending on the weather. And we have a 5 Tyre Tower of Potatoes to harvest.....! One of our themes will be 'Hedgehogs' so we will make homes for them (and other creatures in the garden) too, and have a special visitor coming from Suffolk Prickles Hedgehog Rescue on 10th October. Suffolk Prickles would be grateful for any donations of kitchen roll or tins of Pedigree Chum loaf, so if you would like to help in this way, please give it to Stella.

We are also planning a 'nature walk' for 3rd October - more details to follow. Parents or Grandparents are always welcome on our trips so please let Stella know if you would like to come. Finally, we are hoping to make the most of the lovely Autumn weather by going on trips around the village, or to the Green. These trips will always be within adult:child ratio of 1:2. If you haven't already done so, please sign the Permission Form at Ladybirds to enable us to take your child. Thank you.



Themes, Craft & Activities For This Term

19th September; Sound of the week – a. *Oliver's Vegetables*.

Vegetable printing/painting using vegetables from the book. Counting vegetables activity sheet.

26th September; Sound of the week – t. *Harvest*. Harvest basket made from paper plate/weaving, with fruit and veg in.

3rd October; Review of sounds learned over the last 3 weeks – s, a & t. *Autumn*. Woodland walk 6th October. Leaf printing with leaves from our walk.

10th October; Sound of the week – i. *Hedgehogs*. Visit from Suffolk Prickles Hedgehog Rescue, Clay hedgehogs with stick/spaghetti spines and hedgehogs handprints.

17th October; Sound of the week – p. *Diwali*, Lantern, Clay tea lights

7th November; Review of sounds learned over the last 3 weeks – i, p & n. *Remembrance*, hand wreath, poppy wreath.

14th November, Sound of the week – c k. *Under the sea*.

21st November, Sound of the week – e. *Ladybirds Values*, Ladybirds craft.

28th November, Sound of the week – h. Continue *Ladybirds Values*, Ladybirds display to be made by all.

5th December, Review of sounds learned over the last 3 weeks – c k, e & h. *Christmas*, make a giant father Christmas.

12th December, Review sounds and blend. *Christmas*, handprint calendar and Christmas cards.

19th December, Christmas Party at Little Kingfishers

Uniforms



If you would like to order our uniform you can do so by contacting –

Needlepoint Designs

17 Gaol Lane

Sudbury

Suffolk CO10 1JL

Tel:01787 882341

www.needlepoint.co.uk

Information on styles, sizes and prices can be found on the Ladybirds website.

Children's Personal Belongings

Please ensure all your child's belongings including lunch boxes are named, and that they have a change of clothing for messy activities, along with coats and wellies for the garden. Where needed please include wipes and nappies and spare clothing and underwear.

Collection of Children

If you would like your child to be collected by someone who is not on our list of authorised people, please notify a member of staff who will record the name of the person collecting, and ask them for identification on arrival.

Ladybirds Committee News

Firstly a huge thank you to all the staff, parents and grandparents who got involved in our really special Summer Ball. It was a magical event for the children and was made extra special with the mesmerising puppet shows by Sue. I am not sure whether the children or the parents were more hooked by the lovely stories told.

The Summer Ball and other events ensure that as a small local charity we can buy more wonderful resources for the pre-school. This year the addition of the wonderful mud-pie kitchen and sandpit have been a great success.

The committee is always in need of fresh faces and new ideas and we need to recruit new members to keep the pre-school running. It is a great way to support your local pre-school and be involved with your child's development. We are a small and friendly bunch and you can always pop along to our AGM or any other meeting if you would like to get involved or see what its all about. We would love to see you there.

The AGM will be held on 10th October at 8pm in Leavenheath Village Hall.

For more information please feel free to contact Amy Moore on 07723300778



Policies & Procedures

Our Policies are regularly reviewed and updated and available for you to read in our Foyer.

Our setting is committed to safeguarding children and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults at all times and expects everybody working within this setting to share this commitment.