



Hedgehogs
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HEDGEHOGS NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER



A Week of Water, Outdoor Play and Wonderful Discoveries!

This week, we have enjoyed lots of exciting outdoor play and opportunities to explore, experiment and get messy! Fiona has made a fantastic new water wall, and we had lots of fun watching the different ways the water travelled through the pipes and jugs. The children enjoyed pouring, filling and watching the water move, making predictions about where it might go next.



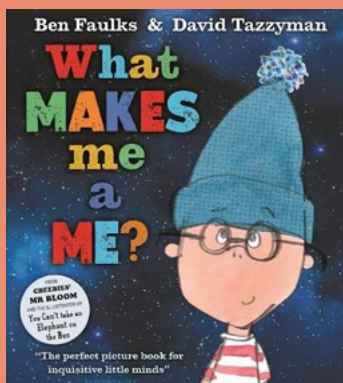
We also used the water to mix our very own potions, adding grass and colourful petals to create different mixtures. We explored soapy water and bubbly water too, which we used to mop the outside steps. There was lots of enthusiasm for cleaning!

As quickly as Charlotte drew chalk patterns on the ground, they were being mopped away again! This provided plenty of opportunities for repeated actions, experimentation and lots of laughter.

Through this type of play, the children are developing their fine and gross motor skills as they pour, carry, squeeze, stir and mop. They are also beginning to explore important scientific concepts such as cause and effect, making connections between their actions and what happens as a result.



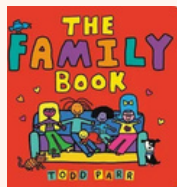
What Makes Me a Me?



Our focus this week has been 'What Makes Me a Me?' We have enjoyed reading the book of the same name and talking about all the things that make us unique. The children shared their favourite things, including games they like to play, foods they enjoy and things they like to do.

We also spent some time looking closely at our faces in the mirror, noticing our different features. We then used playdough to create our own faces, thinking carefully about where our eyes, nose, mouth and other features belong. This has been a lovely opportunity to develop the children's sense of identity, individuality and self-awareness, while also supporting their creativity and fine motor skills.





Next Week: Our Families

Next week, we will be talking about our families and the special people in our lives. We will also be reading 'The Family Book' by Todd Parr and talking about the different ways families can look.

If you haven't done so already, please could you send in a photo of your child's family for them to share with us and add to our family display?

You can email your photo to nurseryteam@oliversb.com, and we will print it for you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

☀️ **Reminder: Open Afternoon – Tuesday 22nd September**

Just a little reminder that we are delighted to invite families to our Open Afternoon on Tuesday 22nd September from 2pm.

If you know any friends or family who may be looking for a nursery or school place for their child, please do pass the invitation on to them. We would be very happy to welcome them and show them around. 🌈

- INSET DAY Monday 28 September 2026
- Parents Evenings (more info to follow) Tuesday and Wednesday 13 & 14 October 2026
- Pumpkin Trial 3.30pm (more info to follow) Monday 19 October 2026
- INSET DAY Friday 12 February 2027
- INSET DAY Friday 25 June 2027
- INSET DAY Monday 28 June 2027

ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE TOO



Have a lovely weekend!

We hope you have a lovely weekend filled with fun and family time, and we look forward to seeing everyone next week! 🐘💛

CHARLOTTE AND THE TEAM

