



Hedgehogs
NURSERY

HEDGEHOGS NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER



Learning About Handwashing

This week, we have been learning all about handwashing. We have talked about when, how and why we wash our hands and why it is so important for keeping ourselves healthy.

We have been practising the different steps involved in washing our hands:

1. Wet your hands 💧
2. Put on soap 🧼
3. Wash your hands while singing our handwashing song 🎵
4. Rinse your hands 🚰
5. Dry your hands 🙌

The children have been enjoying practising these steps and are becoming increasingly confident with washing their hands independently.



Handwashing song

To the tune of row, row your boat
Sing twice

Wash, wash your hands
Wash the germs away
MAke your hands nice and clean
So we can go and play

Fidgety Fingers

We have also started our Fidgety Fingers sessions after lunch. These sessions give the children an opportunity to focus on strengthening their hand and finger muscles and developing their fine motor skills.

Through a range of fun activities, the children will be developing the strength, control and coordination they need for everyday tasks such as using tools, fastening clothes and developing their early writing skills.



Pretend Picnics

Recently, the children have been enjoying playing pretend picnic games. Their play has included lots of wonderful opportunities for talking, listening to one another and planning together.

We have also seen some fantastic early mark making, with the children creating lists of things they would like to take on their picnics. It has been lovely to see their imaginations developing alongside their communication, social and early literacy skills.

We would like to extend this interest in our nursery and would be very grateful for any picnic hampers/baskets and picnic blankets that families may have at home and be able to donate.

Thank you for your continued support! 



Next Week: Feelings and Emotions

Next week, we will be learning all about feelings and emotions. We will be exploring different emotions, talking about how we might feel in different situations and learning to recognise and name our own feelings and those of others.

Through stories, songs, conversations and play, we will be helping the children to develop their emotional vocabulary, understand that all feelings are okay and explore different ways we can express and manage our emotions.

We look forward to sharing lots of lovely learning and conversations with the children as we explore our feelings together! 🌈

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Parents' Evenings – October 2026

Our Parents' Evenings will take place on Tuesday 13th October and Wednesday 14th October 2026.

We will be using Google Calendar to manage appointments. Please use the link below to book a 10-minute appointment with Mrs Homewood. When you open the booking page, please select your preferred date to view the available appointment times. When booking, please indicate whether you would prefer:

Remote – an online appointment via Google Meet

In Person – an appointment at the nursery

Please note: If you choose an In Person appointment, you will still receive an automated Google Meet link from Google Calendar. Please disregard this link, as your appointment will take place at the nursery.

Book your Parents' Evening appointment:

<https://calendar.app.google/zUvTnnrD3dQ7agv28>

We look forward to speaking with you and sharing your child's progress.

- Pumpkin Trail Monday 19 October 2026 3.30pm (more info to follow)
- End of Autumn 1 Friday 23rd October
- Start of Autumn 2 Monday 2nd November

ALL DATES CAN BE FOUND ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE TOO

We have had another lovely week filled with smiles, learning, and special little moments—we hope you all have a wonderful weekend together!



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