



# Little Adventurers NEWSLETTER

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## Notices and Reminders

- Happy New Year to all.
- **RECEPTION APPLICATIONS**—Please remember that 15th January 2026 is the deadline to make your school application for Reception for September 2026. Please make an application on time. Late applications lose sibling priority as well as all your choices.
- **CARPARK**— Please take care in the carpark and drive in at 5mph only please. Speeding will not be tolerated. Please do not idle your car in the carpark and switch off your engine. We do not 'own' the carpark so please be aware that we cannot accept any liability for loss, damage or injury so please take care, especially in the ice and snow.

## What we did this week

The children settled back into nursery this week and some of them negotiated room moves ever so well.

We started our topic on Winter Wonderland and attached again is the parent info and home learning for those who want to join in from home.



## TASTE OF THE WEEK

We tasted pretzel sticks this week. We used them as part of our story of Stickman and we made our family tree



## Montessori

Practical Life activities are a big part of the Montessori curriculum. They Promote independence and give your child small responsibilities at home. Here are some practical life and activities of every day living you can try at home:

1. **Helping with the laundry** - bringing clothes to the laundry basket, putting clothes in and out of the washing machine, adding soap, etc.
2. **Getting dressed and undressed** - provide just as much help as necessary and provide clothing that is easy for your child to learn to master.
3. **Help with breakfast** - have a container with a scoop in it for them to serve their own cereal; add a small jug of milk

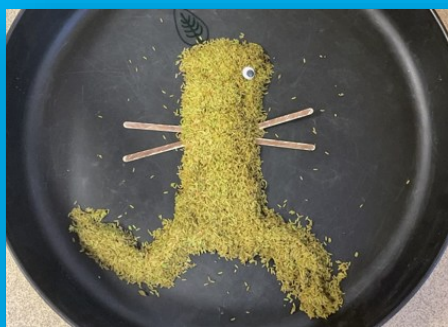
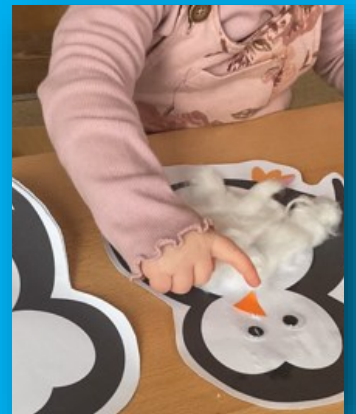
## LITTLE EXPLORERS

We have had some new Explorers join us this week. They have been getting to grips with our new topic on Winter Wonderland and our story Stick Man



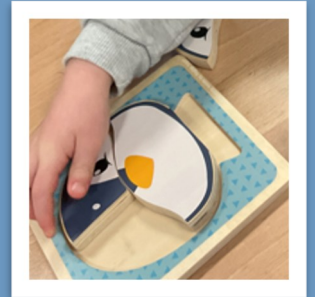
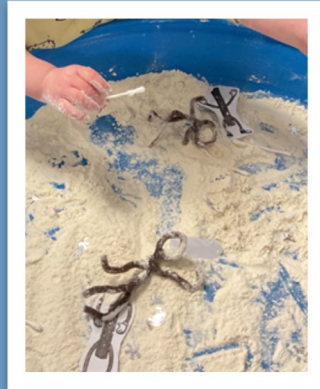
## LITTLE DISCOVERERS

We have had some Explorers joining our Discoverers this week and they quickly got to grips with our Stickman activities.



## LITTLE WANDERERS

Some of our Discoverers became Wanderers this week and began exploring our story on Stickman.



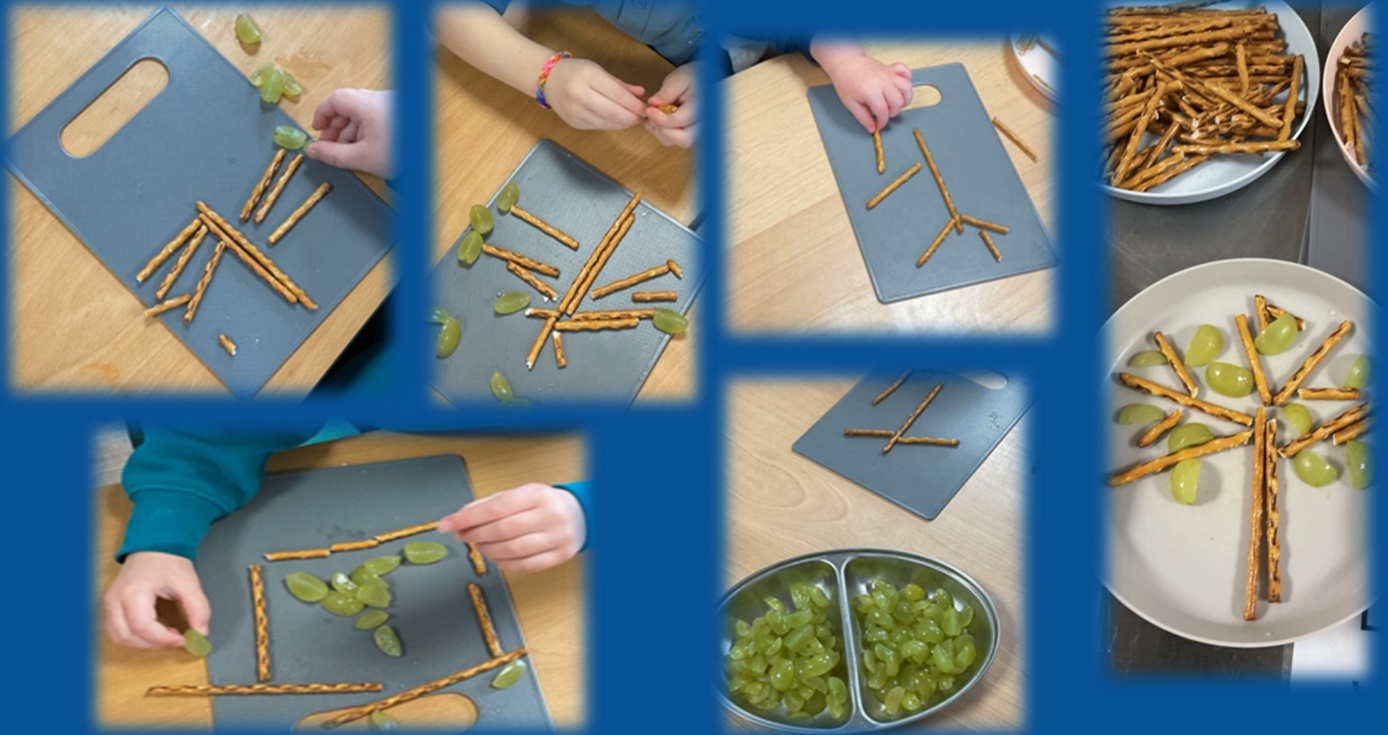
## LITTLE VOYAGERS

Voyagers gained a few Wanderers this week who have settled really well. They soon got to grips with all their new activities.



## **ANNA'S BAKING**

So not exactly baking but this week the children explored pretzels and used them to create a family tree to go alongside our story of Stickman.



## **FOREST SCHOOL**

Voyagers ventured over to Allerton Bywater's Forest School area this week to look for sticks to create their own stickmen back at Nursery. Some of the sticks was soooo big!!





## Themes and activities that we will be focusing on next week



### Explorers & Discoverers

Next week our focus story is 'The Gruffalo's Child'. We will explore the story and all things winter.

We will have sensory trays, craft activities and explore new language through songs, stories and rhymes.



### EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH.

Congratulations to Zoe Moss Zoe achieved a 5 star review December from Leeds Environmental Health Department.



Exemplary organisation, fabulous menus, fully completed paperwork and a sparkling clean kitchen. Amazing! She also pulled off an incredible Christmas Dinner

### Wanderers / Voyagers

This week we will explore the story of the Gruffalo's Child.

We will be talking to the children about the characters in the story and how they behave at each point. We will discuss the meaning of the word 'brave' and think about which characters are brave in the story.

We will also discuss if we think the Gruffalo's child is a boy or a girl? How do we know?

### PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2026

[Apply for a primary school \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://leeds.gov.uk)

#### Who can apply

Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 are due to start primary school in September 2026.

#### How to apply

You can apply from 1 November 2025. The deadline to apply is 15 January 2026.

► [Applications submitted after the deadline](#)

We send out letters reminding parents to apply at the end of October. You can still apply if you do not get a letter.

We recommend choosing five schools to give your child the best chance of getting a place at a school you prefer.

[Apply for a primary school](#)

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#### Opening Hours

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