



Diwali

• FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS •

Little Adventurers NEWSLETTER

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Notices and Reminders

- Thank you to everyone who donated and participated in Children in Need. We will add up the collection and match it to send off to children in need. We will let you know the amount we donate.
- Nursery will close at **5pm** on Tuesday 23rd December to give our staff an opportunity for some last minute shopping. We are usually closed well before the 23rd but wanted to stay open longer for working parents so we hope you will appreciate this slightly early close for our staff.
- We wish our lovely Rachel Marsden a wonderful maternity and cannot wait to meet the little one very soon. Rachel wanted to say thankyou to everyone who sent her a gift.

What we did this week

This week saw us cover a variety of topics including Diwali, Remembrance and Children in Need.

We were so lucky to have our very own Uzma Khan see us through the Diwali celebration and she was able to give the children so much information about it. They were able to explore various fruits and vegetables used at this time, look at pictures and artefacts; carry out various arts and crafts and participate in some lovely dancing on screen.

We also watched the BBC's beautiful animation showing war as experienced by animals.

This allowed the children to participate in a 2 minute silence whilst they watched this video



TASTE OF THE WEEK

The children tasted cream cheese this week. Anna cleverly used it on a bread stick adding frosting and sprinkles to create a firework for Diwali



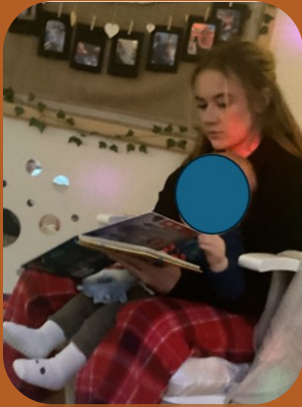
Montessori

Montessori puzzles are different to puzzles you would buy on the high street. They focus on animals, plants and geographical areas around the world. Puzzles foster a child's cognitive and fine motor development. They facilitate problem solving skills and encourage the development of spatial awareness. The animal puzzles encourage the exploration of animals and extend vocabulary.



LITTLE EXPLORERS

Our Little Explorers experienced a little light and a little dark this week in our sparkle and shine topic.



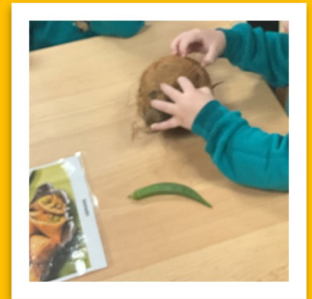
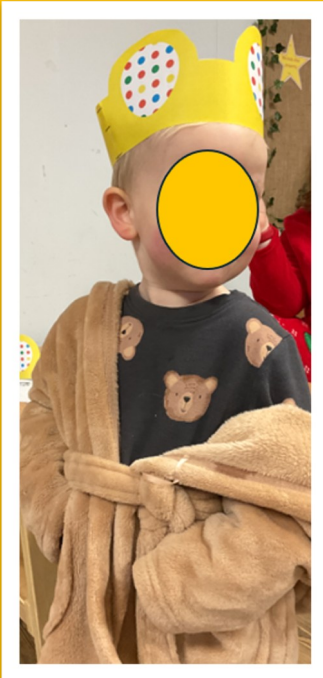
LITTLE DISCOVERERS

Discoverers got really involved in our topic on Diwali this week.



LITTLE WANDERERS

Wanderers were immersed in Diwali celebrations this week as well as Pudsey and Remembrance.



LITTLE VOYAGERS

Voyagers really got involved in Diwali this week and experienced foods, crafts, dancing and the history of Diwali



ANNA'S BAKING

Anna and the children made fireworks with breadsticks and cream cheese.
Yum yum :)



MONTESSORI IN ACTION

Montessori activities are purposeful tasks that promote children to indulge in collaborative play. They are simple tasks that incorporate tangibles to isolate and simplify complex or abstract concepts. Montessori activities are based on reality, self-contained, functional, organised and systematic.





Themes and activities that we will be focusing on next week



Explorers & Discoverers

Next week we continue our topic on Sparke and Shine by looking at birthdays. We will discuss how we celebrate a birthday.

As with all our celebrations we will be looking at the fundamental things associated with all celebrations, clothing, food, gifts, cards.



EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH.

Congratulations to Jess Guy and Lisa Fell from our Explorers baby room.

Both Jess and Lisa do an amazing job of running our baby room, The Explorers and have recently put a lot of effort into making it such a wonderful space. Well done both.



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.

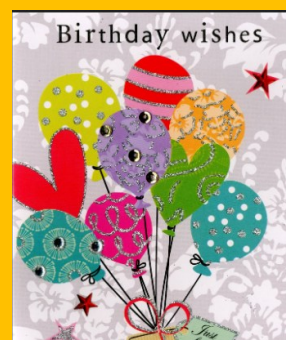
We recommend choosing five schools to give your child the best chance of getting a place at a school you prefer.

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Wanderers / Voyagers

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