

Little Adventurers NEWSLETTER

WELCOME
BACK
TO
SCHOOL



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Notices and Reminders

- Welcome back everyone to Nursery this week. It is lovely to see all our existing children back again and to welcome our lovely new children and families to our Nursery.
- Please remember that when the weather does drop children should be coming to nursery wearing their wellies for the Autumn term please. Any other shoe must be easy for them to put on themselves and **no laces**. Crocs are preferred by children for indoor use.
- Small bags only on pegs—drawstring bags are best. Rucsacs are too heavy for the pegs.
- Uniform is on order and Lauren will be dealing with this.

What we did this week

(Discoverers/Wanderers)

This week we welcomed and helped settle our new friends to nursery. We started our new topic 'Me and My Community' and looked at the story of *Once There were Giants*.

Voyagers

We also welcomed our new friends this week and explored our new activities in the classroom. We also started our topic 'Me and My Community'

We were very excited when we got a visit from a Police Officer and her car. It was very exciting to try on her hat and sit in the Police car.



TASTE OF THE WEEK

From husk to hob—Anna picked corn from the cob with the children this week, they stripped it off, it was then cooked and they ate it for tea. Some said it was smooth and bumpy when they were feeling it and then it was sweet and yummy to eat.



Employee of the Month

Our July employee of the month was **Lauren Chapman**.

Lauren is our finance manager but also a fully qualified level 3 practitioner and she jumps in all over the nursery to support everyone when needed.



MONTESSORI SPOTLIGHT

The **Pink Tower** is probably the most iconic of all Montessori materials, and it's often referred to as the "symbol of Montessori." Developed by Dr. Maria Montessori herself, it remains completely unchanged through time. You'll find it in Montessori classrooms around the world.

Purpose of the Pink Tower

Like most Montessori activities, there are a variety of purposes behind tasks. There is a surface level element for children to practice something specific, while also connecting to other areas of the classroom and future skills that they'll need.

The Pink Tower functions in a handful of ways:

- helps a child build a concept of size in three dimensions. This includes working on visual perception and awareness of dimension, both leading to an understanding of size in the environment.
- develops a child's fine muscular coordination. As they master this work, they'll progress to perfecting hand movements, and the coordination of movement.
- prepares children for abstract mathematical concepts, including spatial volume and the cube root.
- encourages students to use multiple senses at once. This a perfect example of how Montessori materials are created in such a way to compliment a child's stage of development, where they use all their senses to learn.

Why is it Pink?

It's certainly not random that pink is the colour for this material. When Dr. Maria Montessori experimented with different colours, she observed that children were more attracted to the colour pink, compared to other colours. It's also important that the cubes in the Pink Tower are a uniform colour, shape and texture. This helps the child focus on only one quality of the material: **its size!**



LITTLE EXPLORERS

This week has been a week of settling in and getting to know each other and the activities available to explore. Our topic is 'Me and My Community' and the babies have been working on getting to know each other and their new key workers. They have done remarkably well this week in settling in.



LITTLE DISCOVERERS

Our Discoverers have been settling into their new room this week and getting to know each other and their teachers. They started work on our topic, 'Me and My Community'



LITTLE WANDERERS

Our Wanderers have enjoyed getting to know their new key workers and being in their new room. They have been getting to grips with all the new Montessori activities in their room and they are doing so well with them.



LITTLE VOYAGERS

Our Voyagers have been getting to grips with their new classroom and key workers. This week for our topic 'Me and My Community' they got to meet a Police Officer and see her car.





Themes and activities that we will be focusing on next week



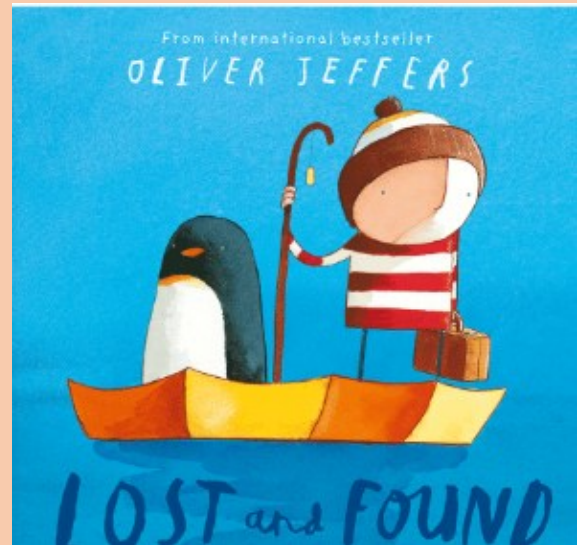
Explorers & Discoverers

Continuing to settle into their new environment and look at our topic of 'Me and My Community'

We will also be singing rhymes and songs next week to help us settle into our new environment



LOST AND FOUND



Wanderers/Voyagers

Continuing our look at our topic 'Me and My Community' we are concentrating on friendship and watching a video called 'What is a Friend.'

We are also going to be reading the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers and discussing how the penguin felt when he was all alone?

Why might he be sad?

What would you say to the penguin?

How could you be a good friend?

You can watch the story at home here...

[Lost and Found By Oliver Jeffers I Read Aloud](#)

PRIMARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

2025 [Apply for a primary school \(leeds.gov.uk\)](https://www.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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