



A MESSAGE FROM THE NURSERY MANAGEMENT TEAM

We want to send a heartfelt thank you for making our Halloween celebrations on Thursday and Friday so wonderfully special.

The children were absolutely delighted! We especially loved seeing the incredible costumes—thank you for putting in so much effort and creativity. It truly added to the fun and excitement for all the little ones.

Your enthusiasm and support help make these days such a success. We hope your child enjoyed the spooky fun as much as we did!

We are delighted to welcome back the **Slough Salvation Army** this Christmas! They will be visiting us on **Tuesday, December 16th**, and we are looking forward to enjoying their performance and raising much-needed funds for the fine work they do locally.

Once again, we will be holding a special Christmas Raffle to fundraise directly for the Slough Salvation Army.

A Call to Local Businesses:

If you run a business, we invite you to partner with us! By donating a service or product as a raffle prize, you will be directly contributing to a valuable local cause. In return, we would be happy to advertise and promote your business prominently throughout the raffle campaign.

If you are interested in offering a donation and showcasing your business, please contact us at your earliest convenience to let us know how you can help.

Let's make this year's fundraiser the most successful yet!

One Can Trust

Millwood House is running a special collection to help One Can Trust provide essential food parcels to those in need right here in our community.

We are collecting non-perishable goods to take to the local library collection point. Every single donation helps a local family.

Items We Need Most Urgently:

We are focusing on these high-demand essentials requested by the Trust:

Jams and Spreads

Rice (Bags of 500g or 1kg)

Tinned Vegetables (e.g., Carrots, Peas, Sweetcorn)

Tinned Meat (e.g., Ham, Chicken, Stew) Cooking Sauces (e.g., Pasta Sauce,

If you would like to contribute, please drop your donations with any staff member.

A LOOK BACK AT LAST MONTH

Last Month's Highlights

The Ladybird Room had a fantastic month. Our spa day was the cutest day ever fully embracing the Autumn theme! They especially enjoyed exploring a variety of new and exciting sensory trays for Diwali, Autumn and Halloween.

We wrapped up the month with our fun Halloween messy days, and the children all looked absolutely lovely in their creative costumes! Their enthusiasm made the entire week special.

The Caterpillar Room have been busy exploring all things Autumn! Last month, we loved getting outside to collect our own natural resources, which we then incorporated into our everyday play. We had so much fun making Autumn wreaths and holding our special seasonal tasting session where we sampled different seasonal vegetables.

In addition to our nature studies, the month was filled with wonderful cultural learning! We explored and celebrated Diwali, Apple Day, and Halloween, making this a truly rich and exciting period for the children.

The Butterfly Room also had a busy month exploring Autumn! The children had so much fun incorporating natural items into our play each day. We used this hands-on approach to learn about the fascinating changes that occur in Autumn wildlife and the process of hibernation. In addition to our nature studies, we celebrated several important cultural events, including Halloween and Diwali. We also briefly introduced the topic of fireworks, which we are excited to explore in more detail this week!





THIS MONTH'S TOPIC WILL BE 'NURSERY RHYMES'

The Magic of Melody: Why Nursery Rhymes Matter

Nursery rhymes are more than just cute tunes—they are fundamental building blocks for your child's brain development in the early years. The simple rhythm and repetition unlock crucial skills that prepare children for reading, writing, and maths:

Literacy & Language: Rhymes introduce children to phonological awareness—the ability to hear, identify, and manipulate sounds in language. This is a vital precursor to learning to read. The predictable patterns, rhythm, and alliteration help expand vocabulary and improve memory recall.

Mathematical Foundations: When children sing counting rhymes (like "One, Two, Buckle My Shoe"), they are learning number names, sequence, and patterns.

The musical beat and structure of the rhyme help them understand basic mathematical concepts like rhythm and sequence.

Physical & Motor Skills: Many rhymes involve actions (like "Incy Wincy Spider"). These actions enhance motor skills, coordination, and the ability to follow multi-step instructions, making learning physical and engaging.

Emotional Comfort: The familiar melody and comforting repetition of a rhyme provide a sense of security and a powerful bonding experience between children and caregivers.

We love incorporating singing into our daily routine at Millwood House to support every area of your child's development!



WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN THE LADYBIRD ROOM



Nursery Rhymes are more than traditions; they are language rich rhymes that strengthen memory and help children recognise patterns in language.

The children will sing, rhyme, and play as we celebrate the joy of language and music. We will include story bags, bucket time, and a selection of sensory items.

We will also make some firework pictures for Guy Fawkes night, and we will be taking some children into the village for the minute silence for Remembrance Day.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN THE CATERPILLAR ROOM



This month we will be looking at Nursery Rhymes and Colours.

We will be taking part in World Nursery Rhyme Week (11th-15th November), during which the children will engage in different activities based on their favourite nursery rhymes.

We will be incorporating colours into our learning using flash cards, colour matching games and painting.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN THE BUTTERFLY ROOM



The Butterflies will engage in a collaborative project centered on favourite nursery rhymes. The children will work together to select a favourite rhyme and extract and utilise its core elements to enrich their learning experience across the seven areas of development.

Activities will be designed to use the rhyme elements (e.g., counting current buns from "5 currents buns in the baker's shop" for Maths, or discussing feelings in "Jack and Jill" for PSED), with song integration to boost memory and enjoyment.

To promote diverse communication, the Butterflies will learn and practice signing one new nursery rhyme as a group each week.

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

Sing together and have fun

Sneak in some maths with counting songs

Get creative and make pictures from your favourite song

Create simple patterns and clap to the rhythm of the song

WHAT WE WILL CELEBRATE THIS MONTH

5th November we will look at and explore Fireworks Night, we will create fireworks using different resources as well as discuss fire safety.

11th November we will create Poppies for remembrance.

13th November is World Kindness Day we will talk about being kind to others

28th November is St Andrews Day the patron saint of Scotland. It marks the official start of Scotland's Winter Festivals season, which runs through to Hogmanay (New Year) and Burns Night (January 25th).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11th/12th November Christmas photos

10th December Morning Christmas Stay and Play and visit to Santa for the Ladybirds and Caterpillars

10th December Afternoon Butterfly Christmas play and visit to Santa

16th December Evening Carols in the garden with the Salvation Army

18th December Christmas Lunch and Elf Day

☆ WE NEED YOUR STAR POWER! ☆ SHARE YOUR MILLWOOD HOUSE EXPERIENCE

We absolutely love being part of your child's journey, watching them learn, grow, and thrive here every day.

We believe in continuous improvement, and the best way we can ensure we're providing outstanding care is by hearing directly from you!



Why Your Feedback Matters

Your reviews on Google are incredibly important! They help us:

Celebrate the hard work and dedication of our brilliant staff (especially those in the

Caterpillar and Butterfly Rooms!).

Guide other local families who are looking for the perfect nursery.

Improve our service and facilities.

 Tell Us What You Think!

It only takes two minutes to make a huge difference.

Please consider sharing your honest feedback about:

The warmth and professionalism of our staff.

The progress in your child's development (confidence, communication, etc.).

Our amazing outdoor space and activities.



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