


# Home Learning

## November 2016



We have had a very busy month learning lots of new things! The children are settled and are becoming more secure and confident when leaving their parents or carers upon arrival. The staff are making lovely caring relationships with your children and it's so nice to see how they are all getting on in the Caterpillar room. Each month we will be sending a 'Home Learning' sheet out with a range of suggested activities for you to complete. These are completely optional but we look forward to seeing what you have been up to on Tapestry.

Staffing	Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Diwali	Dates for your Diaries
<p>Mr. Lee: Head Teacher Mr. Siddles: Deputy Head Jenna James: Early Years Champion</p> <p><b>Caterpillar Room</b> Marie Nursey Angie Cushing Sarah Etheridge Laura Webb Rosie Becket Jeanette Groome</p> <p>All staff are qualified and experienced nursery practitioners. We always aim to use consistent members of staff in the room, however at times staff may be off due to sickness or training.</p> <p>If you need to contact the nursery please call on 01493 780007</p>  <p>Cherry Blossom Nursery</p>	<p>This term The children have been learning about fireworks and have enjoyed making our fireworks display. They used lots of different coloured paint and a variety of different tools.</p> <p>The children took part in a 2 minute silence for Remembrance Day and they also enjoyed making poppies and dove peace pictures. We have also been celebrating other festivities, such as Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights. The children enjoyed making Diya lamps and trying Chapatis dipped in a mild curry sauce.</p> <p>In December, our focus will be on Christmas and Winter. The children will participate in a lot of activities such as baking, making Christmas decorations and cards, enjoying winter walks and making new displays. Please look out for more information on our 'Parents board' outside the Caterpillar room.</p> <p><b>Activities to try at home</b> Below is a link to thirty-nine Christmas activities you and your child can do at home: <a href="http://www.notimeforflashcards.com/2014/12/christmas-activities-2-3-year-olds.html">http://www.notimeforflashcards.com/2014/12/christmas-activities-2-3-year-olds.html</a></p> <p><b>Recommended winter story</b> A Lonesome Polar bear by Jane Cambrera. The book has an important message about not giving up hope and to keep trying to make friends.</p>	<p><b>Stay and Play for parents</b> 14/12/16 at 10.30-11.30am or at 1.00-2.00pm</p> <p><b>EYFS Nativity Play</b> 14/12/16 at 9.15am or 2.00pm.</p> <p>The school will be closed for Christmas from 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and re-opens on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017.</p> <p><b>Reminders</b> We often leave letters and your child's work in their trays below the parents board. Can we ask that you check them and make sure you collect anything that belongs to you so you don't miss out on anything.</p> <p><b>Donations</b> If you have any wooden toys suitable for ages 2-3 to donate to the Caterpillar room please bring them into school. In particular, we are looking for hard plastic baby dolls and clothes. We are also developing our mud kitchen area outside and would be very grateful for any appropriate kitchen utensils or pots and pans you no longer use.</p> <p><b>Notes</b> As you are aware winter is just around the corner, please can we remind you to send your child in appropriate clothing, as the children enjoy playing outside so a warm coat, hat and gloves are necessary. Don't forget to put your child's name on all their items of clothing</p>