



Tiggers @ Tetbury Autumn Newsletter

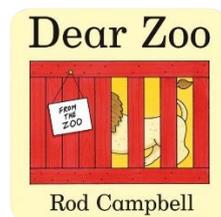
We have had a very busy term here at Tiggers @ Tetbury. All of the rooms have been having fun with lots of outside activities, water play and looking after the allotments and exploring our new Forest School area!



Our little Acorns have been focussing on The Very Hungry Caterpillar story, involving lots of sensory activities for the babies to get really stuck into. There has been lots of messy play going on, including mashed potato, tinned food, sand, plus much more. The babies are growing in confidence and discovering new activities and experiences every day. They have also

been enjoying small circle times and singing lots of songs with actions, such as; 'wind the bobbin up' and 'if you're happy and you know it!'

The Acorn room plans for next term are to look at the 'Dear Zoo' book. They will be looking at all the different animals and the noises they make.



Natalie and her team will also be making more sensory toys, up-cycling bits and pieces we use around the nursery. They will also be doing lots of Christmas crafts as we move in to December, including painting and lots and lots of sparkles!

Willow room have been super busy over the last term and have been trying out lots of new crafts and activities. They have written their own cook book full of new and exciting recipes including pumpkin soup, banana bread, flapjack and lots more. Lauren and the team have also been providing the toddlers with lots of new mark making materials for the children to get creative with. They have been getting lots of fresh air out in the garden and got their gardening gear out, planting and growing sunflowers which grew to a great height!

The children have been working really hard on their independence, drinking from cups, changing their own shoes and some children have even been

having a go on the potty-good job!

Next term the Willow room will be continuing to add to their ever-growing recipe book, as well as introducing more messy play experiences so the children can explore different smells and textures. They will also be focussing a lot of activities based around Winter and of course Christmas.



The Maple room have been making the most of the good weather and taking the classroom outside into the garden. They have been painting using natural paint brushes such as twigs and feathers to make some beautiful pictures for their art gallery. They have also embraced the Autumn with lots of pumpkin play, the children made pumpkin soup then used the skin in the messy play with orange gloop and the pumpkin seeds!

Maple room devoted a whole week to the Gruffalo story. They went through the book and talked about all the different animals the Gruffalo encountered.

They also made the famous Gruffalo crumble!

The children have been enjoying their story time and listening to story CDs of their favourite tales. It has really helped develop their communication and listening skills and they have had fun in doing so.

Josie and the team have been trying out new messy play activities for their mini Maples including mushy peas, baby porridge, jelly, hot gloop and tinned beans. Messy play is a Maple room favourite as it engages all the senses as well as the imagination.



Next term Maple room will be looking at all the exciting events and festivals coming up such as, bonfire night, Diwali, Christmas and towards the end of next term, Chinese New Year. The team have lots of colourful arts and crafts planned for the children to get creative over the next term.

Larch room have been spending the summer term learning about skeletons and what they look like.

They have created a lovely display board using cotton buds as their representation of what a skeleton might look like. Larch room have also been learning about people in the community who help us. Lou Lou and her team created a lovely doctor's surgery and a police station. The children enjoyed dressing up and learning about how these professions work within our community.

Larch room have pulled on the wellies to get stuck into the allotment. They have been growing all kinds of different vegetables and the children have really enjoyed trying their own home grown produce.



Next term Larch room will be enjoying pumpkin painting as we go through the autumn as well as practicing a few Christmas songs ready for the Carol concert down in the barn. They will also be continuing their theme about people who help us and moving on to different professions.



The team in Oak room waved good bye to their lovely school leavers who started primary school this September. They had a lovely last term with Vicky and her team, growing their own cucumbers which, they all tried at snack time. The children swash buckled their way into talk like a pirate day and even made their own maps, hats and eye patches.



The children also demonstrated their construction skills by making an amazing marble run. Oak room celebrated the rather unusual event of world pasta day. They explored lots of sensory play with cooked pasta.

This term Vicky and her team are welcoming their new children and they are settling in very well... some may say 'too well!' The children have been using the smart board to practice their letter formation and pen control. They will also be thinking ahead towards Christmas and learning

their Christmas songs ready to join Larch room for their concert in the barn.

Oak room will be getting creative with plenty of autumnal and winter messy play, plus lots of art and craft activities. They have also started a project on height and have measured the children to see how tall they all are. They will then be measured again before starting school, so they can all see how much they have grown.

This term we have welcomed Naomi and her Cedars to the Tiggers family, who are growing and blossoming well!

Over the next term Naomi will continue to settle her children in and will be holding stay and play sessions for children aged 2- 4 years on a Thursday 9.30-11.30 am until Thursday 20 December.

Naomi is looking forward to getting stuck into celebrating Diwali, Bonfire night and of course the festive period which is fast approaching!



A few reminders from the team...

- ❖ We would like to remind all parents that as the weather is getting colder, the children will need a named warm winter hat, gloves and coats along with indoor and outdoor shoes.
- ❖ Please can we ask for all children to bring in spare clothes as they can get very messy during some of the messy play and craft activities and particularly for those who are also toilet training. We strongly advise that children wear old clothes to nursery to avoid 'nice and expensive' clothes from getting ruined.
- ❖ We would also like to remind parents that the parent zone app is now up and running and in full swing, parents are able to contribute to the evidence of their child's learning and development and are able to do so by uploading observations onto the app from home, which will all help

towards monitoring each child's individual learning and development.

- ❖ The Larch room would like to remind the parents to let their children find their own bumble bee for self-registration as it helps promote their name recognition, independence and confidence.
- ❖ Please familiarise yourselves with our 'Infection Control' and exclusion periods for illnesses and medication. Charts can be found outside each class room and on our website.



- ❖ Please can all customers ensure that they are abiding by the security procedures upon entering and exiting the building. We have a high number of children who are collected by friends/family members who need to be vetted before entering, so please do not let anyone in or out on your finger print.

Exciting News...



Tiggers @ Tetbury has been nominated for the 'Communication with Parents' recognition' category, at the National Nursery Recognition Awards.

The awards will take place on Saturday, January 26, wish us luck!

If you haven't already, to vote please go to...

<http://nationalnurseryawards.co.uk/nominate/vote?fbclid=IwAR2w8AIKCCbn9JVOY6pbIUJrvCFzFiz24CYdsi9wrPMTbjjWVTm4vKQIUC>



Tiggers have also achieved their Silver Eco Schools Award, you can find our future plans on our Eco Board outside the office!

Dates for your Diary...



12-16 November

All rooms will be celebrating Children in Need. Please keep your eyes peeled for activities and themed days! All donations very welcome!



Saturday 01 December
Tiggers Christmas Fayre, all friends and families are welcome to join us for some festive fun!

If you'd be interested in holding a table to sell items, please speak with Levi or Carol.



Tuesday 18 December
1-3 pm

The Cedars Nursery School Christmas Party. All children are welcome to attend even if they do not normally attend on a Tuesday [children only].



Thursday 20 December
2.30-4.30

Larch & Oak Rooms Christmas Parties. All children are welcome to attend even if they do not normally attend on a Thursday [children only].



Monday 17 December
3-4.30 pm

Willow Room's Christmas Carols, arts and craft stay and play session. All children are welcome to attend even if they do not normally attend on a Monday [parent & child].



Tuesday 18 December
3-4.30 pm

Maple Room's Christmas Carols, arts and craft stay and play session. All children are welcome to attend even if they do not normally attend on a Tuesday [parent & child].



18 December 10.30 am or 19 December 3 pm Larch & Oak Rooms Carol Concert.

Please note **No Photography** and only **x2 Persons per child**. Please book your preferred date with Loulou or Vicky.



24 December – 01 January
CHRISTMAS CLOSURE



Thursday 10 January 2019
End of Autumn Term
Parent's Evening
6.15-8 pm, open house,
[Adults only].



We will be collecting donations for Cirencester Food Bank from 05 November to help those in need during the festive period!

Please feel free to help donate towards a worthy cause by bringing in any dried, non-perishable food items.

There is a list of urgent donations below, we would also like to help collect any festive treats such as; chocolates, mince pies, biscuits, Christmas cake and Christmas pudding! 😊

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

- TINNED FISH
- LONG-LIFE MILK
- TINNED VEGETABLES
 - BISCUITS
- INSTANT MASH/TINNED POTATOES
 - RICE PUDDING
- LONG-LIFE SPONGE PUDDING
- LONG-LIFE JUICE
 - TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED TOMATOES
 - PASTA
 - TEA BAGS



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@TiggersNurseryLtd

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@TiggersNursery

Instagram-

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Blog-

www.wordpress.com/post/tiggersnurserieschildcareblog.com

On behalf of the Tiggers Team we would like to thank you all for your continued support, as always!

Have a great term!

Team Tiggers 😊

