



How to Help your Child October



Personal Social Emotional Development

This month we will be continuing to work on our various routines in Nursery. We will be beginning to pour our own drinks at break time. Encourage your child to be independent at home and help out in meal time preparations! We will be focusing on feelings and emotions during circle time! Encourage your child to discuss how their feelings and reflect how others feel in various situations. We have lots of 'feelings' jigsaws in Nursery at the minute- ask your child about these!

Language Development

Children will be introduced to a range of new vocabulary associated with Autumn and Halloween. We have lots of Halloween themed books which the children will be read this month! Check out your local library for any additional books associated with our topic to further extend your child language skills at home. We are continually developing children's attention and listening skills using our 'good listening' cards. These include- Good Sitting, Good Listening, Good Thinking, Good Looking, Lips Closed, Hands up. Try to discuss these before your bedtime stories!

Early Mathematical Experiences

Our shape focus this month is the triangle- encourage your child to identify these in the environment. Our colour tables are orange and brown, look for these coloured items in your house and let your child add these to our new colour tables. Our mathematical language focus this month is based on size with specific focus on 'big' and 'small'. Try to challenge your child to sort items according to size and begin to introduce 'medium' sized items.

World Around Us

We love getting outside in our wellies and we are going to do lots of that this month! We will be exploring seasonal change by taking part in various autumn adventures around our Nursery. Why not take your child to your local forest and view the beautiful seasonal changes in autumn! We will be learning about lots of Halloween traditions through various play activities in Nursery.

The Arts

We love to get messy in Nursery! We will be creating lots of artwork based on our topic. Gathering autumn leaves to print or press is a lovely seasonal activity to carry out with your child. We will also be making some spooky art in preparation for Halloween! You have been given a list of rhymes and songs we will be singing in Nursery this month- continue to sing these with your child.

Physical Development

Children will be given opportunities to strengthen and develop their fine motor and gross motor skills daily. This month we are focussing on safety as we walk to the hall or outdoors in Nursery. We also are working on our spatial awareness and ability to negotiate objects. Set up various obstacles for child to negotiate outdoors as a challenge!