

This week in Chestnut

We are here to help. If you have any questions or concerns, please talk to your child's keyworker or any of the staff.

Books of the week: Owl Babies 	Rhyme of the week:  Owl in the Tree	Sign of the week: Goodbye  Wave hand	Happy Thought of the week: It's okay to miss my family, they will come back 
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Maths

We will be:

- Continuing to sing number songs and rhymes to support counting skills and number recognition.
- Introducing a visual timetable to support our understanding of the nursery routine.

Phonics

We will be:

- Continuing to develop turn-taking and recognition of peers through group, circle time games such as *Doggy Doggy Where's Your Bone* and *Bug in a Rug?*
- Reading familiar stories and joining in with repeated refrains.

Learning opportunities

We will be:

- Playing with babies, pretending to care for them by feeding, dressing, bathing and putting them to sleep.
- Making roads with tape and playing with cars, exploring where the cars can go and creating our own road scenes.
- Reading familiar books together, joining in with repeated words, phrases and actions.
- Painting and exploring different colours, marks and ways of creating pictures.
- Playing group games, such as Orchard games and carpet games, where we can take turns, play together and make new friendships.

Help At Home:

Photos of our family

We will be reading the story *Owl Babies* in Nursery this week. To support this, we'd be very grateful if you could send in some family photographs to share and talk about with your child. These can be either a printed copy or emailed to the school office. We'll display the photos in our Home Corner, where children can look at them throughout the day. Having pictures from home really helps children feel secure and settle happily into Nursery life.



Dates for your diary:

- WC 5th October** - "We are unique" themed week. This includes a visit from birds of prey on Wednesday 7th, both am and pm so all children can participate.
- Wednesday 7th and 14th October** - Communication calls between 3.30-6pm. Sign-up sheets are outside Chestnut class.
- Friday 23rd October** - We close for half term and re-open on Monday 2nd November.