

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.

<p>Book of the week: Whatever Next!</p> 	<p>Rhyme of the week: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star</p> 	<p>Sign of the week: No</p> 	<p>Happy Thought of the week:</p> 
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Maths

We will be:

- Singing a special counting version of Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star and using a magic blanket to reveal and count hidden stars (1–5), encouraging children to recognise small quantities without counting (subitising).
- Exploring the concepts of “now” and “next” using the classroom visual timetable, helping children understand routines and transitions by identifying what’s happening now and what will happen next.

Phonics Phase 1 Aspect 2 – Instrumental Sounds

We will be:

- Playing copycat listening game using percussion instruments like tambourines, shakers, and claves.
- For example, in one game children will listen carefully to simple sound patterns and take turns copying them, building confidence in rhythm, turn-taking, and listening skills through fun, musical play.



Learning Opportunities

We will be:

- Exploring sensory play with star and space-themed trays
- Playing claves with a focus on volume, encouraging children to explore making loud and quiet sounds intentionally through music and movement
- Engaging with a space-themed book basket, promoting early literacy and curiosity about space
- Mark making using big rolls of paper, wall-mounted chalkboards, dry wipe whiteboards, and interactive whiteboard activities via the Busy Things app
- Investigating natural and man-made items in the interest tray—exploring reflective and non-reflective materials with torches, magnets, and autumn-themed objects

Help at Home

Collage Materials

To help us with a collaged colour wheel project next week, please could you send any small, colourful pieces of recycling you might be able to collect at home e.g. bottle lids, chocolate wrappers, pieces of fabric etc.



Dates for your diary:

- WC 24/11/2025 - We are a community week
- Weds 26th November - Living at Number 4 Drama visit all day