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.

Book of the week: The Colour Monster

Rhyme of the week: I can sing a rainbow

Sign of the week:

Review of all signs that we have learnt this half term

Happy Thought of the week: When we can talk about our feelings, they become less overwhelming, less upsetting, and less scary. The Rapers

Maths

We will be:

- Exploring and comparing objects of various lengths, such as ribbons, sticks, straws, and pencils. Children will talk about which are longer or shorter, and sort them by size. They will also use cubes to measure and compare the length of the items.
- Exploring and comparing objects like pinecones and wooden blocks using balance scales to discover which items are heavier or lighter. Children will make predictions and observe what happens when different objects are placed on each side.

Phonics

We will be:

- Playing a sound-matching game using recorded environmental sounds. Children will listen carefully and choose pictures that match each sound. Afterward, we'll discuss where they might hear those sounds, like outside or inside.
- Sorting pictures of sounds into two groups: sounds we might hear on a walk (like birds, cars, or leaves rustling) and sounds that it is unlikely to hear on a walk (like dinosaur roars or disco music).

Learning opportunities

We will be:

- Exploring pumpkins, using scales and measuring tools.
- Playing with different textures and materials in an autumn-themed sensory tray, including scooping and pouring activities with coloured rice.
- Creating with black sparkly dough and pipe cleaners to celebrate the season.
- Noticing and talking about patterns such as stripes, zig-zags, and bumps.
- Drawing and painting ourselves and people we know, focusing on adding details like faces
- Practicing writing and mark-making, especially during pretend play.

Help At Home:

Collecting Autumn Treasures

Your child will be bringing home a bag in which to collect autumn treasures. Enjoy an autumn walk over the half term and collect some earthly treasure along the way. We will be sharing the children's treasure when they come back after the half term and making a collective autumnal tough tray. Please post some photographs of your half term fun to EYLog – we love seeing what our families get up too in the holidays.



Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 21/10/2025 Diwali talk with Nachu's mum
- Wednesday 22/10/2025 Nursery at Night
- Friday 24/10/2025 Nursery closes for half term