

Dear parents and carers

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Cultural diversity events and celebrations

With the summer holidays over we thought you would like advance notification about the cultural diversity events and celebrations we will be observing in the coming months.

By celebrating these events the children are provided with rich and meaningful experiences. We talk about the similarities and differences in cultures and communities and the children learn about British Values and other countries' values.

Month	Season	Cultural Diversity and celebrations around the world.
September	Autumn	10th - Rosh Hashana (Jewish festival) 18th & 19th - Yom Kippur (Jewish Festival) 21st - International day of peace
October	Autumn	1st until 31st - Big draw festival 4th until 10th - World space week 18th - Dussehra (Hindu festival) 31st - Halloween
November	Autumn	5th - Bonfire night 6th until the 10th - Diwali 11th - Remembrance Day 30th - St Andrews day
December	Winter	Christmas Day



If there are other festivals or celebrations you believe we should embrace please do let Vinny know and he will be happy to discuss their inclusion with you.

Transitions from one room to another

We have been working hard with parents and carers to ensure transitions from one room to another take place smoothly and seamlessly for the children. I am delighted to share with you some of the feedback we have received and congratulate you, the parents and carers along with my team on making this milestone in your children's lives so successful.

Staff are always open to working with us

Very smooth transition mainly down to how confident and secure she feels at the Nursery

They took the time to talk in detail at the end of the day about how the boys had got on

Lovely home from home feel with structure and boundaries

Mud Kitchen

What child doesn't like messy play? Vinny has been working with the team on a mud kitchen project for the past couple months, with the children helping to design, and establish the amazing space we have in the front garden now.

But why do we want a mud kitchen?



Since the dawn of time children have been drawn to mud puddles and dirt as a part of their play. Mixing soil, water, and other natural materials like pebbles, leaves, or grass provides children endless possibilities for learning and fun. Many of us have fond memories of creating mud pies, digging for worms, or making streams and valleys in the mud. But it's not just about fun. Children benefit from messy, muddy play.

If you have any old kitchen utensils, please do bring them along.



Late Collections

Please do let us know if you think you will be late picking your child up.

Being late picking your child up causes the child increased levels of anxiety, as they wonder where their parents are and this emotional impact cannot be underestimated.

I do appreciate that sometimes parents can be delayed for a valid reason or emergency and when I am advised of this in advance of this, I will always take an understanding view.

We ask that parents/carers are onsite and ready to pick up their children when their session finishes – if you would like to have feedback regarding your child's time with us please arrive 10 minutes earlier, so that there is time to receive this from their key worker.

If we are not advised of a late pick up, or late pick-ups become regular we will levy a £10 fine.

Parking

Please remember to park considerately when picking your child up as our neighbours can become frustrated when they cannot, for instance, access their driveways.

Thank you for your continued support.

Regards

Andrea