# WEEKLY 7TH NOVEMBER 2025

**AUTUMN 2 - WEEK 1** 

# WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

It has been a colourful and sparkling week at Flying Start as we celebrated Fireworks Week! The children have been full of excitement, sharing their own experiences of seeing and hearing fireworks and exploring the wonderful sounds, colours, and patterns they make. We've listened carefully to firework sounds, made marks to the rhythm of the bangs and crackles, and created some truly dazzling artwork inspired by the night sky.

The fun continued with lots of opportunities for creativity and exploration. The children loved playing with glitter sand, using it to make swirling, sparkling patterns just like fireworks in the sky. They also enjoyed using loose parts to build their own imaginative creations — from rockets to bonfires — showing fantastic teamwork and problem-solving skills. Using pipettes to transfer paint onto different materials, the children investigated how the colours mixed and spread, discovering lots about texture and effect in the process.

We also enjoyed our weekly visit from Lisa at Little All Sports, where the children practised their ball skills before having great fun shooting some hoops in basketball. It was wonderful to see their growing confidence and coordination as they played and cheered each other on!

#### SHOES AND BOOTS

At preschool, we love supporting the children as they build their independence. We kindly ask that your child wears shoes or boots that they can easily take off and put on by themselves. Mastering these small tasks helps children develop confidence and a wonderful sense of accomplishment!



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# weekly news



## **OUTDOOR LEARNING**

This week, the children had a fantastic time exploring the garden and getting hands-on with nature. They enjoyed snail races and bug hunts, observing creatures closely, counting legs, and drawing what they discovered. Creative activities included making pinecone hedgehogs, leaf paintings, and clay sculptures, as well as experimenting with watercolours and feathers.

Outdoor games, obstacle courses, and our fun "Flying Saucer" activity kept everyone moving, singing, and laughing, making it a week full of imagination, discovery, and outdoor adventures.



### **IMPORTANT DATES**

School Applications Open - 3<sup>rd</sup> November Mince Pies and Mingle - 11<sup>th</sup> December, 11-12:30

Christmas Party (For all children) - 16<sup>th</sup>
December

**Christmas Holidays -** 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 26

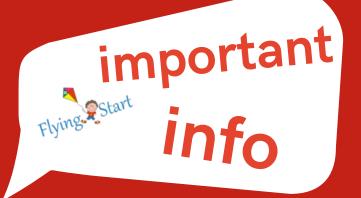
Spring 1 Starts - 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026 School Applications Close - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

# HOME LEARNING IDEAS

- DIY Fireworks in a Jar: Swirl food colouring in water and oil to make colourful "fireworks."
- Colour Hunt: Go outside to spot things in different colours and make a rainbow collage with leaves, petals, or stones.
- Shadow Fireworks: Use a torch to make shapes on the wall and move hands or objects to create "firework" shadows.
- Paper Rockets: Make simple paper rockets or streamers and throw them to watch them spin and fly.
- Constellation Creations: Make star patterns on dark paper using stickers, pasta, or paint dots.
- Mini Garden Exploration: Look for tiny creatures or different patterns in soil, leaves, and stones, then draw or describe what you find.
- Nature Prints: Use leaves, flowers, or sticks to make prints on paper with paint.

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#### Term Time Pre-School dates 2025/2026

#### Autumn Term (14 weeks)

Monday 8th September 9.30 - 11.00: Stay and Play session (New Children)

Tuesday 9th September – Friday 24th October

Half Term - Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December



#### Spring Term (11 weeks)

Monday 5th January - Friday 13th February

Half Term - Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Monday 23rd February - Friday 27th March



#### Summer Term (13 weeks)

Monday 13th April - Friday 22nd May

Half term - Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Monday 1st June - Thursday 16th July

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May

Friday 17th July 9.30 - 11.00:

Stay and Play Session (New Children)

