



# weekly news

28TH  
NOVEMBER  
2025

AUTUMN 2 - WEEK 4

## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

This week our classroom turned into a world of light and dark, full of stars, snowflakes and curious little owls. The children explored glowing resources, cosy mark-making corners and magical shadow activities, discovering numbers and shapes in new and exciting ways. They created everything from glittery moons and sparkling stars to owl collages and sunshine plates, all while diving into stories like Owl Babies and Peace at Last. Imaginative play took off too — tiny “bed bugs” got their own handmade beds, dolls enjoyed bedtime routines, and dens became starry hideouts. We sang Twinkle Twinkle, played lively group games, and followed the children’s ideas as they sorted, built and counted their way through the week. And on Wednesday, Lisa from Little All Sports brought an extra buzz as the children started gymnastics, showing fantastic confidence and balance on the beams.



VISIT THE FLYING  
START INSTAGRAM  
FOR DAILY UPDATES

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## OUTDOOR LEARNING

Our light and dark theme continued outdoors, exploring sensory play in sand and mud, creating colourful chalk patterns and practising letter S and star mark making. The children built star-shaped obstacle courses using planks, hoops and tyres, compared the sizes of animals and stars, and worked together in fun challenges like blindfold games and group hunts. They also made pine cone bird feeders, spun colour wheels, and created sparkly S for Star wands. A fun and active week of outdoor discovery!

## HOME LEARNING IDEAS

1. **Starry Story:** Make up a short story about a star, moon, or nocturnal animal and draw pictures to go with it.
2. **Nature Light Hunt:** Collect shiny or reflective objects on a walk and talk about what makes them sparkle.
3. **Shadow Play:** Use a torch to make animal or star shapes on the wall.
4. **Night & Day Sorting:** Sort pictures or toys into "day" and "night" groups.
5. **Starry Snack:** Create a snack with star-shaped fruit, cheese, or biscuits and count them together.

## IMPORTANT DATES

School Applications Opened - 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
 Mince Pies and Mingle - 11<sup>th</sup> December, 9:30-11  
 Christmas Party (For all children) - 18<sup>th</sup> December  
 Christmas Holidays - 19<sup>th</sup> Dec - 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 26  
 Spring 1 Starts - 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
 School Applications Close - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## NOTICES

- Please return any spare clothes that have been borrowed.
- A reminder that school applications close on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 for children who turn 4 before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026.
- Please see below for a poster from our chosen charity (Momentum) about a special event they are hosting and have kindly invited our families to.
- Please find our up to date term dates below.

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Children who do not usually attend on this day are welcome to join us and should be dropped off at 9:30am. Parents do not need to stay. We will be providing a festive morning snack as usual, so no additional food is needed. If it is your child's normal day to attend Lunch Club, please send them in with a Christmas-themed packed lunch – and yes, a little chocolate is absolutely allowed!



# MINCE PIES AND MINGLE

JOINUSFORCRAFTS, SONGS DANCING  
& DELICIOUS TREATS

DECEMBER 11, 9:30-11AM

JOINUSFOROURANNUALFESTIVEEVENT — A FUN ALTERNATIVE TO OUR  
CHRISTMAS SHOW!

🎄 ENJOY A MINCE PIE AND A DRINK

🎨 TAKE PART IN CRAFTS AND ACTIVITIES WITH YOUR CHILD

🎵 FINISH WITH A CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG

TIMES:

- IF IT'S YOUR CHILD'S USUAL DAY: ARRIVE AT 9:00 AM WITH THEM
- IF NOT: JOIN US FROM 9:30 AM
- WE'LL FINISH BY 11:00 AM.

COME MINGLE WITH TEACHERS, PARENTS, AND CELEBRATE THE SEASON  
TOGETHER!







20th December

**Movie Magic:  
A Momentum  
Christmas Special**

**momentum**  
children's charity

*The Muppet  
Christmas Carol*

Book your tickets here

Sat 20 Dec 2025 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

The banner features a festive red background with gold stars and a film strip. It includes a photo of four children holding popcorn and the Momentum Children's Charity logo. The event title is prominently displayed in a red box with white text.

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm

Please book through this link -

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/momentumchildrenscharity/1921641>



# term dates



Flying Start Preschool

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 24<sup>th</sup> October

*Half Term - Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October*

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

**Spring Term (11 weeks)**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February

*Half Term - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February*

**INSET DAY: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March

**Summer Term (13 weeks)**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

*Half term – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May*

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July

*Bank Holiday Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May*

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 9.30 - 11.00:

*Stay and Play Session (New Children)*

