Newsletter

Friday 15th October 2026

Round up of the week:

What a lovely autumnal week we have had in Flying Start! Our **Pumpkin and Harvest** theme has brought lots of opportunities for exploring, creating and discovering. The children have enjoyed investigating pumpkins of all shapes and sizes, exploring what is inside them, scooping out the seeds and getting stuck into lots of lovely sensory play.

We have been busy with autumn crafts, painting conkers, exploring colours and creating pumpkin faces and patterns. There was also lots of excitement on Friday when we enjoyed a mini Halloween dress-up party! The children loved showing off their costumes and joining in the fun. We also made some delicious chocolate rice crispy cakes, with lots of mixing, stirring and, of course, excitement about tasting our creations!

We also enjoyed a lovely trip to the library for Rhyme Time, joining in with familiar songs, rhymes and actions. It was a wonderful opportunity to develop our listening and language skills while having lots of fun together!













Outdoor Learning

We have had lots of autumn adventures in the garden this week! The children have been busy exploring natural treasures, collecting leaves, conkers and pinecones, and using them in all sorts of creative ways. We made some lovely clay hedgehogs, carefully adding sticks for their prickles, created beautiful autumn artwork and had lots of fun making leaf crowns. There was plenty of excitement as we went on bug hunts, searched for hidden bags of autumn treasures and explored the different colours, shapes and textures of the changing season. We also enjoyed planting cress seeds, decorating our own pots and talking about what plants need to grow.

It has been a wonderful week of outdoor exploring, getting creative and enjoying everything autumn has to offer! One of our highlights was taking some of our older children out into the local community to donate food to the Food Bank. This was a lovely opportunity to talk about helping others, kindness and gratitude. We also enjoyed choosing pumpkins to buy, and the children were especially excited to stop and watch the dogs being pampered at the groomers on our way! There was so much to see, talk about and discover.



Other Messages

A huge thank you to all our wonderful parents and carers for your incredible generosity with our Food Bank donations! We were absolutely overwhelmed by how much you kindly contributed. In fact, we had so many donations that we couldn't possibly carry them all, and Katie had to come to the rescue with her car!

Your kindness and support really do make a difference, and it has been such a lovely way to show the children the importance of helping others and being grateful for what we have.