

CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP NEWSLETTER



WHAT WE'RE LEARNING



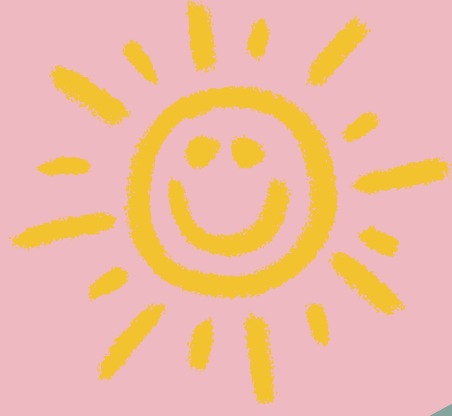
This week the children have been fully immersed in our *enchanted* theme and what a magical time 'weve had.

The rainbows have been practising their scissor-cutting skills, showing great concentration and control as they created colourful designs. We've also enjoyed some sensory fun with iced googly eye and pumpkin smashing, which were big hits with everyone! Our black playdough spiders have sparked lots of creativity and counting, while in the garden, potion-making has become a firm favourite - full of imagination, teamwork and a sprinkle of magic.



The children in Sunbeams have loved getting creative this week. They've spent lots of time exploring playdough, making all sorts of wonderful shapes and creations while developing their fine motor skills and imagination. There's been plenty of messy fun too, as the children experimented with mixing and creating potions, adding colours and sparkles to make their own magical mixtures. Our den in the book corner has been popular for play and discovery too!





Parent information:

As the weather gets cooler, please remember to send your child with **warm, labelled** clothing for outdoor play. We love exploring outside, whatever the season!

We are still collecting for the food bank and will be delivering to Tesco when the box is filled up, thank you to those who have already donated!

Thank-you, as always, for your support and enthusiasm - it makes our preschool community shine as brightly as ever.

Term dates:

Autumn term (14 weeks)

Monday 3rd November - Thursday 18th December.

Monday January 5th - February 13th 2026.

SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday 17th December: Mince pie and mingle.

**Thursday 18th December:
Christmas party, all children
invited!**

More info to follow.



STAFF OF THE WEEK:

Get to know us!



Hi! I'm Debbie. I have been at the Children's Workshop for about 10 years, first as a parent and then as a practitioner, I think it's safe to say the Children's Workshop has a very special place in my heart. I love working in a setting that has a fabulous family and community focus and couldn't imagine working anywhere else.

In my spare time I enjoy seeing shows at the theatre and leisurely long dog walks, I spend many evenings and early mornings as a horse mum with my two equine obsessed daughters!

HOME LEARNING:

Autumn treasure basket:

Go for a walk together and see what autumn treasures you can find - conkers, acorns, colourful leaves, pinecones or twigs.

Leaf printing or rubbing:

Collect a few leaves and try printing or rubbing them with crayons or paint, just like we've been exploring at preschool.

Pumpkin play:

Explore a pumpkin together - feel the inside, count the seeds, and talk about how it looks and smells. You can even draw faces on pumpkins using markers or cut out paper features to stick on.

Sensory tray:

Make your own sensory tray with dry pasta, cinnamon sticks, orange slices, or rice dyed in autumn colours.

Add

spoons and scoops for some calming, creative playtime.

Story time together:

Head to the library and pick some autumn themed stories.

As always, we love seeing what you get up to, please do share on tapestry!



Value of the month:

KINDNESS

I can:

- Use kind words - saying “please” and “thank you” can help our friends feel happy.
- Share and take turns - whether it’s toys, paints, or space in the sand tray, sharing shows we care about others.
- Help a friend - offer a hand if someone needs help putting on their coat, tidying up, or finding a toy.
- Include everyone - when we play, we can invite someone to join us.
- Show gentle hands - we use our hands for helping, building, creating, and hugging - not for hurting

Children's Workshop

Golden Rules

1.

Be kind:

- Gentle hands
- Kind words
- Caring for our toys



2.

Be safe:

- Walking inside
- Hands to ourselves



3.

Be ready:

- Listening ears
- Looking eyes

