



Welcome back! We welcome back all the children and their families who had the summer holidays off. We also welcome all the new children and their families who are joining us for the first time. Alyssa will now be Room Leader for Toddlers as well as Babies, as Sharon is removing herself from the toddler room to concentrate on her other job roles within the Nursery. We will be saying 'Goodbye' to Pam Gould, Caroline Scott and Cloee Webber who have all moved on to new ventures, and also welcoming some new staff to Nursery—more details will be given later in the term.

Dates for your diary

Tues 1st September	First day of Autumn term
5th—9th October	Ted's Big Bake off
Tues 20th October	Last day of term for term-time only Children
Weds 21st October	NURSERY CLOSED for training
Mon 2nd November	First day of term—Nursery open to everyone
Wed 4th November	Concept Photographers will be in from 11:00am til 4:45pm (Please book a slot with Karen if your child is not usually in on a Wednesday or if you would like a family photograph)



Lunchboxes

Could you please ensure that your child's lunchbox has got their name on it somewhere. A lot of the children do have the same lunchboxes and if they are named it reduces the likelihood of somebody taking your child's lunchbox by mistake or your child eating the wrong lunch.

Children's drawers/boxes

Could you please check your child's drawer/box every week to see if there is any work they have done that you need to take home.
Thank you.

Our Library



We now have some books & story sacks available in reception that you can take home and read with your child. These items do need to be signed out & back in when you return them—they are on the table in front of the reception desk.

We would be grateful if you could write your thoughts on these book packs in one of the clouds that are in with the packs.

Ted's Big Bake Off

Children will be making cakes to sell at Nursery to help raise funds towards building the new Cancer Centre at the Royal United Hospital. Parents can buy the cakes for a donation to this cause.

SECURITY

Can you please make sure that you close the doors properly on your way in/out for the safety of the children.

Request for items

We are going to be updating our outside space at the back of the Nursery and we would like to ask everyone if they have any of the following items they would be willing to donate to Nursery:-

Old pots & pans, wind chimes, paint brushes, rollers & trays, unwanted paint, fence paint, wallpaper.



If you are able to let us have any of these items we would be very grateful.
Thank you

Hedgehogs (3-5 years)



Welcome back—WOW what a year we have planned in the Hedgehog Room, I hope you are all feeling refreshed after the holidays and all prepared for a fun packed term to start us off.

This term we will be welcoming new children & staff into the room. The topic will be based on "all about me". The children will each receive a booklet that we will fill out during group times, but we would also like you to be involved by helping the children to fill bits out at home. This is so that we are able to find out about the children and their homes lives etc. During the all about me topic we will also be looking at boundaries and golden rules within the room & looking after our toys.

Show & Tell days & topic will be displayed on the parent board which is located in the corridor as you walk into the room (please ask a member of staff if you are unsure). We encourage all parents to fill out WOW stars for anything their children may have done during the Summer that you & they are proud of (this will go into their journals).

As there will be topics to Show & Tell, we ask that all parents try to restrict the toys that their children bring into Nursery, this will reduce the amount of left behind/broken or lost toys within the room.

If you ever have any questions/problems, please feel free to find me (Clare) or your child's keyperson and we will try our best to sort it out.

As I said before, Welcome Back and let the "learning" commence!!!!

Clare & the Hedgehog team



Owls (2 year olds)

This term in our room we will be welcoming some new faces. To help everyone to get to know each other we will be exploring the theme 'all about me'.

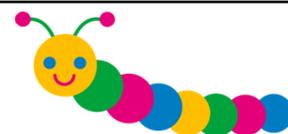
We would love to see photos of your toddler engaging in their favourite activity so we can share these at our group times. We will be making paper plate faces, be discovering how we are all different and doing lots of other fun activities.

Caterpillars (Babies)

We hope everyone has had a fantastic Summer.

For the Autumn term the babies will be focusing on all things musical. We will be practising some old songs and learning a few new ones. We will also be making our own instruments and would appreciate any donations of plastic bottles.

At the end of the term we will be having a **Rhyme Time session** and we would like to invite all the babies' parents to join us—it will be **Thursday 22nd October from 1:30 til 2:30**.



Christmas is coming....

Over the next few months things will start building up for Christmas. Listed below are a few ideas that may help.

- Books and gifts are often on show in the reception area. These are available to order, the price lists are put up and are always a lot lower than the price printed on the back of the book. Payment is needed with the order and the goods will be waiting for you by the end of the day.
- We will be having a stall at the Town Xmas Fayre again this year and would welcome any donations for our tombola & lucky dip —the money we raise from this goes towards the cost of the entertainer for the childrens xmas party.
- Remember the photographer is coming and photos of your child make fantastic Christmas gifts.