



NH's Class Newsletter - Autumn Term 2026

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Welcome to Nursery H.

We hope you all had a wonderful summer! We are looking forward to a really exciting year.

Your class teacher is : **Miss Charlotte Hamilton**

Your Early Years Teaching Assistants are: **Mrs Safia Huda** and **Mrs Melby Zacari Villca**.

Please remember to label all your child's belongings, any lost property is kept on the blue trolley inside the Nursery classroom. All children have accidents at times, please provide at least 2 complete sets of spare clothing and a spare pair of shoes in your child's bag. We do have spare clothes at school in case of an emergency but it is preferable for them to be changed into their own clothes.

Nursery will engage in a variety of physical activities, daily in the outdoor area. We will also do regular yoga, exercise and dance in class. Children do not need a PE kit but all children should attend in shoes that are comfortable and suitable for outdoor play. Please note that crocs are not allowed at school.

Reading books will be given every Friday. Please ensure your child's reading folder is returned by Wednesday the following week, so that we can change the books. Please read these and write a short comment in their reading record.

We are no longer able to accept party food or cakes for birthday celebrations due to serious allergy and dietary issues in school. All snacks will now also need to be provided by school. Please do not send your child into school with any additional snacks from home. We will provide a variety of fruit and vegetables each day, along with milk and the magic breakfast.

Our Vision and Values:

- Respect One Another
- Every Individual Matters
- Take Responsibility
- Strive for Excellence
- Try Your Best

Our School rules:

- Show Kindness
- Listen Actively
- Walk Responsibly
- Respect Our Environment

Important Dates:

Turn Back The Clock day: 30th September

Black History Month Begins: 1st October

Parent's evening: 12th and 14th October

Storyteller visit: 16th October

Wear red day: 16th October

Annual Individual / Sibling Photos Session: 21st October

HALF TERM (x1 week + 2 days): 22nd October - 1st November

Children's 1st Day Back to School (after half term): 2nd November

Winter Fair: 4th December

EYFS winter show: 10th December

More information will be given on these closer to the time.



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Literacy

Focus Texts: **Owl Babies by Martin Waddell and Anansi and the Golden Pot by Taiye Selasi in Autumn 1. Meesha Makes Friends by Tom Percival and Snowflakes by Cerrie Burnell in Autumn 2.**

Reading: We read our class books every day and have a reading corner in the classroom. We also sing nursery rhymes daily linking this to counting, rhythm and rhyming. Using our key texts we practise early comprehension skills, encouraging the children to retell key parts of the story in their own words.

Writing: Our writing is also linked to our focus texts. This term we will be exploring our mak making by drawing

Maths

This term we will be:

Counting up to 10 using nursery rhymes.

Representing numbers in different ways e.g. marks on paper or with our fingers.

Using positional language to talk about objects in our environment.

Exploring repeating patterns using different colours and

Expressive Arts and Design:

We will be exploring different materials, tools and textures to make our own owl babies. We will be using some natural materials to collage a woodland scene. We will make mummy owl using natural materials and fabrics.

We will make spider webs and stringy spider web slime. We will make our own representations of Anansi the spider and explore some african prints. We will explore colours and colour mixing.

Understanding The World: Our key themes are Night and Day, Africa, Seasons and the weather.

We will be exploring animals we find in the woods and learning about different habitats. Looking closely at those woodland animals, their young and talking about animals that come out during the day and animals that are nocturnal. We will look at changes in the seasons and the different weather we might see

Autumn Term Curriculum

PE: Games

We will be developing our gross motor skills and cooperational skills through fundamental movement and invasion based games. We will also be practising our gross motor control, rhythm and exploring

Phonics

In phonics this term we will be focusing on really honing in our listening and attention skills. We will be identifying everyday sounds, exploring instruments and the different types of sounds we can make, such as fast, slow, quiet and loud sounds. We will learn about