

Friday 25th October 2024

Dear Parents and carers,

We have had a very busy and fun filled week in nursery. Learning all about Halloween and Diwali. The children have been very engaged in the learning we have been doing and have particularly enjoyed;

- Making Diyas to light for Diwali.
- Creating mehndi patterns on paper hands.
- Forming rangoli patterns using chalk outside.
- Making pumpkins out of playdough.
- Wearing beautiful Indian clothes and bangles.
- Hammering golf tees into pumpkins.
- Making Halloween potions.
- Tasting pumpkin seeds.



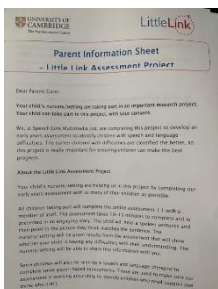
We have been enjoying the story of 'Room on the broom' this week. The children have been joining in with the phrase 'and woosh they were gone!' They even had their own idea to make a broomstick outside with seats for all of the different characters in the story.

You can help your child to continue their learning at home by:

- Reading to them daily and encouraging them to talk about the story by asking them questions about it.
- Making collections of objects (buttons, cars, teddies), anything you have at home and talking with your child about how many items they have in their collection. Is one collection larger than the other?
- Trying some Indian food together.

If you would like to share any photos of your child taking part in these activities you can send them to acornclass@harefieldinfant.com

Please look out for the 'Things I Like Box' homework, which is coming home for half term. We are looking forward to seeing what the children bring in to share with us.



Acorn nursery are taking part in a new and exciting research project, which has been created by Cambridge University. The aim of the project is to enable practitioners to better understand and identify children with speech and language difficulties. If your child brings a letter home, please sign them up via the QR code. Alternatively, you can ask the nursery team for a paper form. Unfortunately, not all children are eligible to take part in this at the current time. If you have any questions regarding this project, please do not hesitate to ask.

Please note that if your child has been asked to take part in this research it is not because we believe they have any difficulties.



Have a wonderful half term, I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 4th November.

Many thanks

Mrs Halligan

Nursery Manager