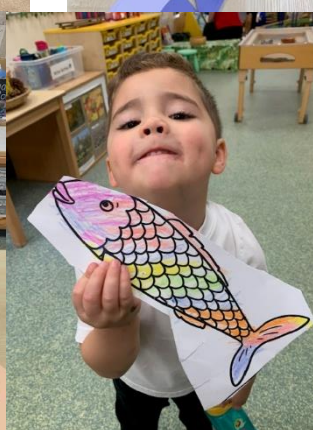


Friday 3rd October 2025.

Dear Parents and carers,

We have had a wonderful few weeks in nursery. The children have all settled in beautifully and are proving to be really enthusiastic and engaged learners. They have started to make friendships with one another and are learning all of the teacher's names. We have been focusing on establishing the nursery elephant golden rules which are to 'Be Kind', 'Listen', 'Share', 'Tidy Up' and 'Try Hard'. We have used stories such as 'Elmer the Elephant' and 'The Rainbow Fish' to embed this learning. As well as singing songs such as 'Elephants have wrinkles' and 'I can sing a rainbow'. Your child has taken part in many activities including:

- Elephant printing
- Rainbow fish cutting and sticking with sequins
- Making rainbows using buttons
- Moving like an under the sea creature in the garden
- Chalk drawings
- Seashell artwork
- Rainbow fish painting with cotton buds





We have been exploring the concepts of 'More' and 'Less' as part of our mathematical learning. This has been done by making collections of items such as conkers, corks, cars, teddy bears and ritz crackers (which the children were very excited to eat afterwards!).



Nursery take part in voice 21 oracy lessons which aim to enhance the children's listening, understanding and communication skills. This term we are focusing on 'Would you rather' questions with the children. Please look out for some ideas on how you can support your child with this learning further down the newsletter.

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

- Talking to them about different amounts they can see when they are at home. Use language such as 'Do you have more fish fingers or more peas?' 'That's right you have more peas and less fish fingers.' You can even count them if you want more of a challenge!
- Ask your child would you rather questions such as 'Would you rather live in the sea or live in a tree?' you can extend their learning by asking them why they have chosen that answer. Try modelling it to them first. For example, 'I would rather live in the sea as I love to go swimming'.
- Encourage your child to follow the nursery elephant golden rules when they are at home. This will instil a strong home school link and show them that we are all working together.

Dates for your diary:

- Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th October, strike days. Nursery will be closed.
- Tuesday 14th, Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th October, possible strike days. Nursery will be closed if these go ahead.
- Wednesday 22nd October- Individual and sibling school photographs.
- Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd October- Parents evening.
- Monday 27th- Friday 31st October, half term.

Please may we ask that you collect your child between 11.30am and 11.45am if they attend our morning sessions. The door will close promptly at 11.45am.

Many thanks and have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Halligan

Nursery Manager