BLUE SKY LEARNING

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NEWSLETTER

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WHAT A LOVELY START TO THE TERM!

Our children have shown curiosity, creativity and growing confidence as they reconnect, explore and learn together. We're proud of their efforts and the progress they are making. Thank you to our families for your continued support—we're delighted to share our highlights with you!

PROUD TO BE A THRIVE AMBASSADOR SCHOOL

We feel truly privileged that Blue Sky Learning has been recognised as a Thrive Ambassador School with Excellence in the Environment.

This recognition celebrates the care and thought that go into creating spaces where children feel safe, supported and ready to engage in learning. From calming areas and visual supports to opportunities to connect with nature and animals, our environment reflects the needs of the children who use it.

For us, this achievement is a celebration of our whole community: our dedicated team, supportive families and, most importantly, our wonderful children.

We are proud of this recognition and remain committed to nurturing an inclusive environment where relationships matter, individual needs are understood, and every child has opportunities to grow in confidence.

Thank you for being part of our journey!

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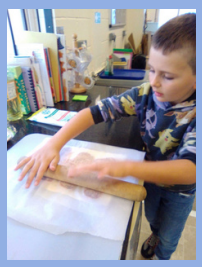
CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS









OUTDOOR FIRST AIDERS IN THE HOUSE!

CONGRATULATIONS TO CLAIRE AND LEE!

We are proud of our mentors Claire and Lee for achieving the FAA **Level 3 Award in Outdoor First Aid.**

This achievement strengthens their skills in supporting safe outdoor learning. Thank you both for your dedication and the care, enthusiasm and encouragement you bring to our children's Forest School experiences.



FOREST SCHOOL

Since returning in September, our children have enjoyed reconnecting with the outdoors through Forest School.

Our first session back began with exploring the new outdoor area and sharing suggestions for activities. Giving children opportunities to contribute their ideas helps them take an active role in their learning.

A walk into the woods brought familiar surroundings and some unexpected changes! After revisiting our Forest School rules, the children discovered that the birdhouse was missing and the bridge was broken. Together, they dismantled and rebuilt the bridge using extra materials—an opportunity to practise teamwork, problem-solving and perseverance.

There was also time for hide-and-seek, bringing plenty of fun to our return to the woods. At Forest School, children enjoyed hot chocolate and a selection of teas—a cosy moment to pause, spend time together and enjoy our outdoor surroundings.

These shared experiences create opportunities for children to communicate, explore and enjoy learning together.









PROUD TO SUPPORT YOUTH FOOTBALL

Blue Sky Learning is proud to continue sponsoring youth football, supporting opportunities for young people to come together, develop their skills and enjoy being part of a team.

Teamwork, perseverance and encouragement reflect the values we celebrate in our setting.

NOTE FROM HEADTEACHER

What a lovely term it has been! We are proud of the curiosity, creativity and determination our children have shown. From trying something new to asking for help or working together, there have been so many moments worth celebrating.

Every child's journey is different, and we value the effort behind each step forward. Thank you to our families for your continued support and partnership.

Kirsty Burridge

PSHE: FAMILIES, TRUSTED PEOPLE AND OUR VIPS

This term in PSHE, children have been exploring the important people in their lives and how families support one another.

A member of staff shared drawings of their family now and when they were a child, opening up conversations about how families change and can look very different. Together, we discussed the care, kindness and support family members offer one another.

We also explored trusted people, using different scenarios to consider who children could turn to when they need help or reassurance.

Our VIP activity encouraged children to recognise those who care for, support and encourage them. A crown showing a member of staff's VIPs inspired children to consider their own special connections. One pupil included their cat and dog alongside their important adults!

Alongside these discussions, children explored different food textures and tastes, noticing their preferences and sharing their responses. This offered opportunities to describe sensory experiences and recognise that everyone's likes and dislikes can differ.

These activities encourage children to understand themselves, respect differences and recognise the support available around them.

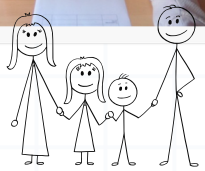












Wishing all our children, families, carers and guardians a restful October half-term. Enjoy some time to relax, recharge and spend together.

We look forward to welcoming you back to the provision on Monday 2nd November!

COOKING

This term, our kitchen has been full of creativity and discovery! With our mentor Claire, the children have enjoyed bread-making and chocolate creations, getting involved and taking pride in what they have made.

Cooking offers opportunities to practise measuring, following instructions and working together. It also gives children a chance to explore ingredients, notice changes and develop practical skills at their own pace.

We have loved seeing their enthusiasm and the satisfaction of creating something themselves.

To round off the term, we look forward to Halloween-themed cooking, bringing a seasonal twist to our kitchen and opportunities for fun, creativity and learning!









SCIENCE THIS TERM

This term, pupils at Blue Sky Learning have been having a closer look at plants, exploring how their different parts work together.

We began by investigating roots, using magnifying glasses to examine them closely and share observations. Pupils discussed how roots absorb water and minerals from the soil, helping plants to grow.

Building on this learning, we explored how water travels through plants. Practical activities using vegetables and flowers brought the topic to life, while discussions and a fact sheet helped pupils consolidate their understanding.

Our discoveries then continued with flowers. After revisiting previous learning, pupils examined a variety of flowers with magnifying glasses, shared their ideas and explored how flowers help plants produce seeds. A cut-and-stick activity provided another opportunity to reinforce what they had learnt.

It has been lovely to see pupils' interest and engagement throughout these sessions. By combining close observation, discussion and practical activities, we have made space for children to ask questions, contribute ideas and build their scientific understanding—one discovery at a time.





YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO GIVE US A CALL.



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IMPORTANT DATES



2nd of November
First Day Back



17th of December
Last Day of 2nd Term



18th of December
TD DAY



4th of January
Start of 3rd Term