

Nursery Weekly News

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Last Friday we had a lovely sunny Autumn walk, and had a great time collecting leaves around school. Our imaginations were sparked by sharing the lovely story *Leaf Man* by Lois Elhert. A book that celebrates the natural world and the rich imaginative life of children. The illustrations are beautifully crafted out of Autumn leaves. As we had a few people away on Friday we will try to fit in another walk next week, including going to the nature trail if possible. We will also use this inspiration alongside the work we have done on faces and feelings to create artwork out of natural and found objects.

Last week we talked about the fair and harvest and enjoyed several versions of the story of *The Little Red Hen* with the children comparing the different characters and deciding which animal characters they would choose for their version of the story.

We have enjoyed sharing more baby photos. If you haven't sent in a baby photo yet, it's not too late. It would be great to have everybody's photo displayed.

This week we will start to talk about our families and different kinds of family members we may or may not have including parents, siblings, uncles, aunts, cousins, and grandparents. We will read stories that include all kinds of families and family situations, such as *So Much!* By Trish Cooke and *All About Families* by Felicity Brookes. We will also share stories about family members who may live far away, such as grandparents. Our main aim in talking about families is for children be curious and eager to understand the world around them, including those who love and care for them. Family is a fundamental part of a child's life, providing love, support, and a sense of belonging. We aim to explain family in a relatable and age-appropriate way, to help children grasp the concept and foster an appreciation of their own family. We always aim to explore with sensitivity, but if there is anything you feel we are unaware of, that we should be mindful of, such as bereavements, please let us know.

Best wishes

Ellie Green & Kelly McIlroy

Autumn Walk



Parents Meetings

I look forward to chatting with some of you on Tuesday or Thursday. Please be aware that the meeting will automatically close at the end of the allotted time. Apologies if we get cut off. If there is anything you would like to follow up, please let me know via the email nursery@woodstock.oxon.sch.uk or catch me at pick up or drop off. Thank you.