



# Bright Stars News

Monday 1st October 2018

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a lovely September, it seems the time is flying by and Christmas is just around the corner. This month the children have been very busy participating in various activities all to do with "Me, Myself and my friends". The children have been learning about how we keep our bodies healthy by eating certain foods and exercising so the children enjoyed making a delicious smoothie for their snack time. Some of the older children used tape measures to measure how tall they are and both 2-3's and 3-5's enjoyed drawing around their bodies. Some of the 3-5's also enjoyed visiting the library to see Zoo Lab, where the children had the opportunity to see and hold some large bugs such as the African snail, a snake, a giant cockroach, a tarantula and a stick insect. The children and staff were very brave, and it was an excellent session, gaining new knowledge and learning and exciting new facts. Throughout September the nursery has also been collecting dried foods for Harvest which will then be taken to the elderly when some of the children visit the care home in early October.

Here are some of the 3-5's activities, cutting fruit for the smoothie, story time with their peers using props for "the tiger who came to tea". Visiting the library for the Zoo Lab session and exploring and creating different textures.

Here are some of the 2-3's activities, making delicious cup cakes, creating a family photo board, exploring with paint, mixing it and mark making on foil and water play, washing the dishes and cups with our peers.

Here are some of the under 2's activities, sensory play with coloured pasta, measuring how tall we are, making delicious lemon cake and role playing with the dollies in the home corner.

Your monthly invoice will be enclosed with this newsletter. Where possible we prefer payment to be made directly by bank transfer. Our bank details are as follows and **please always use your child's name as reference** :-

**Sort Code:** 40-20-23    **Account no:** 61627759    **Account name:** Bright Stars Nursery Ltd

We would encourage parents to utilise online and telephone banking to process payments at their convenience or to call head office on 01992 676631 in order to make a debit card payment over the phone from 9am – 5.30pm. If there are any issues or concerns as a result of this change please contact Linda at Head office.

## Confirmation of Fees letter to Tax Office and other Government Departments.

Please be advised that all correspondence to the tax office or other Government departments is sent directly to them following requests from parents. To avoid any confusion we always include reference numbers on such correspondence. Please ensure, therefore, that you provide copies of any letters from the Tax Office which require a response from us to be attached to your requests to us. All such requests should be sent to [Linda@brightstarnursery.ltd.uk](mailto:Linda@brightstarnursery.ltd.uk)

## REMINDERS

Parents evening will be October the 30<sup>th</sup>, please make sure you book your appointment with your child's key worker.

### **Nursery Main Door**

Parents, please can you ensure that when leaving the nursery, you do not allow anyone in without a member of staff being aware off and also make sure the nursery doors are properly shut to ensure the safety of all children. Thank you

### Nursery SEND-CO Officers

(Special Educational Needs & Disability Co-ordinators)

Osayande Allende

Tessa Stevens

If you require any further information regarding the SENCO role or are worried about any aspect of your child's development please feel free to talk to Osa/Tessa for a confidential chat.

From,  
Eileen White  
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## Monthly Activity & Learning Programme

General Theme: Food/Autumn

Month: October 2018

Mini Topics: (and following the interests of the children) Story of the Month: Meg and Mog

- Food/cooking/feast
- Food from around the world
- Nature/Seasons
- Magic

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| <p><b>Food/cooking/feast</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making biscuits, cupcakes and fruit popsicles.</li> <li>• Food printing.</li> <li>• Role play having a picnic with our peers.</li> <li>• Looking at which food comes from different countries.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Food from around the world</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visiting the supermarket/market stalls to look at different cultural foods.</li> <li>• Children to bring in their own cultural foods.</li> <li>• Eating Jollof rice with our friends while listening to cultural music.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>Nature/seasons</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking at animals who hibernate</li> <li>• Collecting sticks, leaves and conkers from the park.</li> <li>• Looking at the life cycles of animals/bugs.</li> <li>• Making animal biscuits</li> </ul>          | <p><b>Magic</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hosting a magic show</li> <li>• Making magic wands/hats</li> <li>• Carrying out the magic milk experiment.</li> <li>• Reading stories to do with magic to our peers.</li> </ul>   |

### Songs to sing for October

“It’s harvest time, its harvest time, I hope you like the food we brought, there’s peas and beans and biscuits too, all this we brought just for you, its harvest time, its harvest time, its harvest time, we hope you like the food we brought”.

Deputy Manager : Tessa Stevens