



Helmdon Acorns

Newsletter

Friday 16th November 2018

Activities

We had a really active week at Acorns—the children especially enjoyed trying out the new running track at the school and we hope to make regular trips to keep fit.

We have been practising our fine motor skills too, cutting straws up with scissors to make some great aliens.

In Forest School we did some leaf rubbing and spent time exploring the environment looking for bugs and insects—we also found a newt by the pond!

We sang songs from the "Animal Boogie" storysack and enjoyed the fine weather outside on bikes and trikes. There was lots of time to explore some "tuff tray" environments with different textures and the "Frozen" themed one was very popular.



Parents' consultations

Last Friday' evening seemed to be well received by parents; we will look carefully at your responses from the questionnaire. The crèche was held for the first time and was well used and hopefully provided a much quieter environment when discussing the progress your child is making.

Rainbow colours from home

We are going to be making a colour wheel at Acorns and would like the children to bring into Acorns coloured objects which they can then stick to the right colour of the display. Please can you help your child to find some suitable items (they won't be returned) such as bottle tops, large buttons, tissue paper, old lids, etc and bring them in from **Wednesday onwards this week.**





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Family Fireworks Helmdon Acorns Pre-School

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**BARRATT
HOMES**

**Dawns Flowers
MIDDLETON CHENEY**



**water
babies**



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Family Butcher**



Our Fireworks Event went really well—we had lots of positive comments from families, especially regarding the fireworks themselves. We are finalising the costings but provisional figures indicate a profit of well over £2000. Many thanks to all who helped.

The next committee meeting tomorrow at 7:30pm will decide, with the staff, where these funds would make the most difference.

Chairperson: Kat Carter

Vice Chairperson: Sammie Vale

Treasurer: John Gray

Committee: Judy Wise, Mike Ludwig, Sophie Lander-Ritchie, Theresa Harvey, Avril Servat

Next committee meeting Tues 20th November

7.30pm at Acorns, all welcome.

Acorns Team

Setting Manager: Liz Hart

Deputy Supervisors: Kim Sadler & Susanna Morgan

Practitioners: Victoria Webster, Gina Rayner, Emma Houghton, Rebecca Fletcher, Lorraine Aust, Emma Pegg

Bank Staff: Fiona Kirkham

Diary Dates

Forest School takes place every Friday this term (except for w/c19th Nov) and will be on Tuesdays in January.

Tuesday 20th November— FOREST SCHOOL (instead of Friday 23rd November)

Tuesday 20th November— Committee Meeting—7:30pm

Monday 3rd December— Stay and Play session for children starting in the Spring term

Monday 10th December— visit Helmdon School to watch the Nativity dress rehearsal

Monday 17th December— Nativity at Acorns— during the morning—details to follow

Tuesday 18th December— No FRESH START lunches available; please provide packed lunch if applicable

Wednesday 19th December— FRESH START Christmas Dinner- it would be great for those at lunch to have a Christmas dinner—please consider ordering. Christmas outfits, jumpers etc will be welcome (raising funds for Crackerjack)