



Nursery Newsletter **Friday 9th October 2026**

This week we have continued enjoying *Which Food Will You Choose?* by Claire Potter. The children have been talking about their favourite foods, listening to clues and sharing their choices.

Our food shop has been a busy place! The children have taken turns being shopkeepers and customers, choosing foods, collecting shopping and practising polite phrases such as "Please can I have...?" and "Thank you". In "Remember my order", we listened carefully and collected the food requested by a customer, beginning with one item and trying two when ready.

For Tales Toolkit, we recorded the character and setting from *Which Food Will You Choose?* drawing and talking about who was in the story and where it took place. We then used our Tales Toolkit bags to create our own stories, choosing characters, settings, problems and solutions and sharing our ideas together. These activities have encouraged the children to develop their imagination, talk about their ideas, listen to their friends and take turns.

In phonics, we have continued our Phase 1 work, developing early listening skills through sound games, recognising familiar voices and matching animal noises. In maths, we have explored one and not one, making collections of one and counting small groups when ready.

Pepperoni Muffin Pizzas

The children have been busy making pepperoni muffin pizzas, spreading tomato sauce, sprinkling cheese and adding toppings. We practised using tools and talked about what to do first, next and last.

At Home

Talk together about a favourite meal. Can your child name a food and describe its colour or shape? Play "Remember my order" by asking your child to collect one familiar object, adding a second when they are ready.

Singing familiar nursery rhymes together is also a fantastic way to develop listening, language and early phonics skills.

Advance Notice

Wednesday 18th November – 9:15am

Parents and carers are warmly invited to come into school and watch the children perform the nursery rhymes they have been learning.

The children will be practising hard and we are sure they will be very excited to share their rhymes with you! More information will follow nearer the time.

Thanks

For Your Information



Pumpkins, Squishes & Sensory Wishes

Come along for a gentle, playful, sensory-filled morning

For children ages 0-5 with SEND

Little ones can explore, discover and enjoy sensory play at their own pace, with plenty of opportunities for fun and connection. 🎃🍂

- Pumpkin messy play – squish, scoop and explore.
- Sensory experiences in a relaxed, child-led environment.
- Explore at your own pace with no pressure or expectations.
- Decorate your own biscuit and enjoy your creation.
- Juice refreshment included.
- Sneak peek of our brand-new sensory room.

Monday 26th October – Newton Family Hub 10.00am–11.00 am
Thursday 29th Central Link – Family Hub 10.00am – 11.00am
Friday 30th October – Sutton Family Hub 13:00pm–14:00 pm

St Helens Borough Family Hub

inspired by The Pumpkin Thief!



St Helens Borough Family Hub

A space for sensory play, exploration, communication, movement, and relaxation.

New and Interactive Sensory Room

For Ages (0-4) and SEND

Book a 30-minute session to learn, play, and enjoy quality time together.

Our Interactive Sensory Room offers a safe, engaging, and stimulating environment.

Monday to Friday Newton Family Hub Book your slot today!

9.30am – 12.30pm – 1.30pm – 4.30pm
30 minutes slots

one family per time

BOOK NOW

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Small Steps, Big Smiles

OUR SEND-FRIENDLY GROUP

- Sensory play
- Fun activities
- Family connection
- Meet other families
- Support your child's development

Ages 0-5

Where&When

MON – Sutton | 10:00am–11:00am
TUE – Central Link | 9:30am–10:30am
WED – Parr | 1:30pm–2:30pm
THU – Newton | 1:30pm–2:30pm

Meet • Play • Connect

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