



Dear Families,

We have had another lovely week in Preschool, continuing our autumn learning with lots of fun, hands-on activities!

Our story this week has been *Pumpkin Soup* by Helen Cooper. The children have enjoyed sharing the story and talking about the characters and what happens when they all try to make pumpkin soup together.

We have been having lots of fun exploring pumpkins this week! The children had the chance to investigate what was hiding inside a pumpkin, getting their hands messy scooping out the seeds and stringy insides. We have also been using tape measures to see how big our pumpkins are and comparing their different sizes.

Our creative activities have included making hedgehogs using scented playdough, adding little sticks and other bits and pieces to give them their prickles. We also looked at the colourful, spotty artwork of artist Yayoi Kusama and had a go at creating our own dotty pumpkin pictures.

Our autumn-themed tuff tray has been filled with lentils, pumpkins, pinecones, conkers and little cauldrons, encouraging lots of imaginative play. We have also been busy matching autumn pictures and practising our memory skills.

We have been exploring autumn movements and dances, pretending to be rustling leaves blowing in the wind.

We can't quite believe we have reached the end of our first half term already! It has been lovely watching the children grow in confidence, make new friendships and become more familiar with our preschool routines. We are so proud of how well they have settled and all the little steps of progress they have made over the past few weeks.

We hope you all have a wonderful, restful half-term break and enjoy spending some lovely time together.

Happy Half -Term! The Pre-School Team 🍁

Things to Remember:

- Please remember to pre-order your child's school dinner.
- Please label your child's lunch box/bag.

We would really appreciate your support in encouraging your child to practise putting on and taking off their own coat and shoes at home. We do this many times throughout our preschool day, and a little practice at home makes a big difference in helping the children become more confident and independent.

Thank you for your support!



Star Award



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