



Hartley Wintney
November 2018

Monkey Puzzle Nursery News

Dates for your diary

Christmas Jumper Day, to raise money for Action for Children, takes place on Friday 14th December. Please bring your child to nursery in their spangliest Christmas jumper - all we ask is for a suggested donation of £1 (although of course more generous donations will be gratefully received)!

Monday 24th December INSET DAY (Nursery will be closed for staff training).

We will close for Christmas from Tuesday 25th December, re-opening on Wednesday 2nd January.

Christmas parties

Monday 17th December - Hedgehogs Room.

Tuesday 18th December - Squirrels Room

Wednesday 19th December - Owls Room.

More details to follow.

Staff News

We are delighted to welcome Ashleigh to our Owls team. Ashleigh joins us with 11 years of experience working with children, most recently as a nanny, and is excited to once again be part of a team, helping to prepare our littlies for their journey into school.



And finally, we would like to invite you to join our Facebook

page. Please feel free to like and follow us.

<https://www.facebook.com/monkeypuzzlehartleywintney/>

Hedgehogs News

This month in Hedgehogs we have been learning about Autumn. The children have enjoyed lots of art activities, such as painting an autumn tree. We have made hedgehog leaf paintings, an activity thoroughly enjoyed by all, and we also created our own pine cone hedgehogs.

To support sensory play, we have been closely looking at leaves which we have found in the garden, talking about these and making a leaf sensory tuff tray in order to explore the texture and smell the leaves. We have also been

reading the 'Stick Man' story by Julia Donaldson.



Owls News

This month we have looked at our family. We have drawn pictures of them and of our house. We have looked at our differences and similarities in our faces, hair colour and eyes, long/short hair etc.

Squirrels News

Happy Autumn! Squirrels have had fun learning all about Autumn. We have explored conkers, acorns and different coloured leaves. We then made our own autumn tree using our handprints and choosing autumnal colours. We made our own pumpkin patch using different materials. We have focused on a book called 'The Very Helpful Hedgehog' and we have been sharing a teddy hedgehog called Harold.

Squirrels have delighted in making playdough and sensory paint bags.

