

### Babies

In September the Baby Room introduced coloured sensory trays to the children, they had a wonderful time exploring all the different items that could be found. The children were also introduced to these kinds of experiences while in the garden with an autumnal basket full of natural items and coloured sashes for them to discover.



### Toddlers

Both Toddler Rooms spent much of September getting to know their new children and building relationships with both them and you. The children have been busy exploring their new environments and in both rooms the children have been exploring experiences which allow them to empty and fill as well as post items. The children in Toddler Blue have enjoyed investigating using their senses especially in their dark den with a variety of lights. The older Toddler Room have spent a lot of time in the garden exploring the changes in the season and mark making with natural autumnal items.



### Transition

The children in Transition have embraced the start of the Autumn season with a variety of autumnal experiences. They have spent time looking at books such as 'It Was a Cold Dark Night'. Looking at animals in their natural habitat inspired them to try creating spaces for them using a variety of materials. They also loved making hedgehog bread rolls.



### Kindergarten



During the month of September the children have been settling well making new friendships with Team and children. They have extended their family tree display looking closely at those most familiar to them and retelling stories from home. The children's main interest has been dinosaurs where the children have been getting to know all the different names and species of their favourite dinosaurs. This interest has also inspire mark making and creating our own rather yummy dinosaur eggs and nests.

Dear Families,



Welcome to our October Newsletter with a very warm welcome to all our new families who joined us in September. You and your children have all settled in brilliantly with us and I very much hope enjoy your time with Yellow Dot here in Andover. We have so much to look forward to over the coming months, with the changing season creating so many natural exploration opportunities for the children to investigate. Autumn is truly a wonderful time of year.

You may have already seen our posters up around the building reaching out for support for the local Food Banks this Harvest. This is one of the many Charities we support throughout the year. If you wish to donate to this worthy cause please feel free to add your items to our growing collection, all very much appreciated.

Alongside the Harvest celebrations we will also be enjoying seasonal stories from Reverend Jill with 3 dates booked in over the next few months, including Remembrance Day and of course the Nativity story.

Please make a note of the dates for your diaries which you may be interested in as we are very aware that time is flying by and the next few months will become very busy for everyone.

Please can I remind everyone as the weather starts to get colder to wrap your children up warmly for outdoor play and experiences and to name all hats, gloves, scarves etc to help with keeping track of belongings.

Best Wishes

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## Date for your diary

- **Kindergarten Nativity**  
Date to be confirmed
- **Diwali**  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October
- **Bonfire Night**  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November
- **Remembrance Day**  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November
- **Children in Need**  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November
- **Close for Christmas**  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 6pm
- **Reopen**  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January
- **EYFS evening**  
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January