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What’s the Buzz in October?

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Welcome to October, where did September go? All children are now in school and are settling in well. We hope they are enjoying their first Nursery experiences. If you have any concerns or questions, please don’t hesitate by contacting us on SeeSaw or making an appointment to see the class teacher.

Don’t forget, all our Nursery information can be found on the school website at [www.holychildps.co.uk](http://www.holychildps.co.uk) and on the Facebook page *Holy Child Primary School and Nursery Unit.*

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**Big Bedtime Read**

As part of our Halloween celebrations, we will have our first Big Bedtime Read on Wednesday 18th October. The children are invited to come into school in their pyjamas from 5.00pm-6.00pm. We will have Halloween stories and a ‘Spooky Song Session’ in the Nursery as well as talking about bedtime routines.

While the children are enjoying their Big Bedtime Read, we are inviting parents to the Assembly Hall for an information session on what to expect from your year in Nursery. This will be an opportunity for parents to see what we will be getting up to over the year and to ask any questions they may have.

**Monthly Theme at Home**

The theme for this month is Autumn and Halloween.

Our colours are **orange** and **black** and our shape of the month is a triangle. Here are some ideas about how you can reinforce these topics at home:

* Play I Spy, focusing on colours for example “I spy someone wearing blue jumper and black trousers” etc.
* Have an Autumn colour hunt around your home or outside. How many brown/orange/yellow items can we find?
* Model to your child how to take off and on their jumper, coat and shoes and encourage your child to do this for themselves.
* Help your child learn the attached list of Rhymes and songs for October
* Go for an Autumnal walk. Look at the different colour of the leaves. Talk about this with your child and collect some leaves/twigs/acorns/pinecones for home/school.
* If the weather is dry, ask your child to walk on top of the leaves and listen to the sound they make.
* Encourage your child to bring Autumn items into school for the interest table.
* Try tasting a range of harvest vegetables together.

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**Breakfast Club**

Our FREE Breakfast Club is now up and running. Children can be dropped off to their classroom from 8.30am.

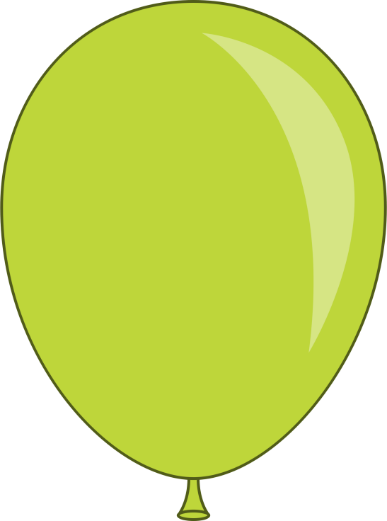
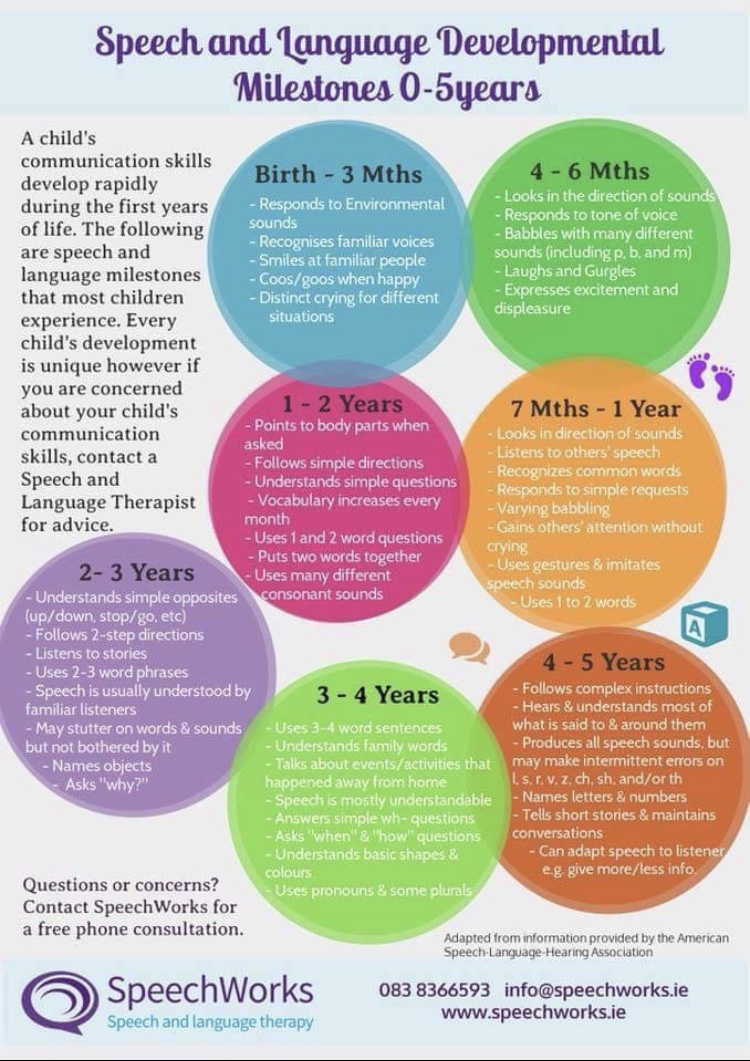
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**Halloween Holidays**

The children will have a half day on Friday 27th October for their Halloween

holidays. Children are encouraged to wear fancy dress on this day and we will have Halloween games and treats. **All children will be collected at 12.00 pm**. The school will reopen on Monday 6th November.

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**Nursery Birthdays**

Happy birthday to all these children who have birthdays during the month of October.

**Saoirse Collins – 2nd**

**Darcy Mae Watson Kemish- 5th**

**Kyran Harrington – 8th**

**Mia Harkin – 9th**

**AJ Robinson – 14th**

**Fiáchra Mc Connell – 18th**

**Oisin Mc Donnell – 27th**

**Important Dates**

**3rd October-** School photographer

**18th October –** Big Bedtime Read/Parent’s Session

***27th October****- All children collected at 12.00pm*

***30th October–3rd November-*** *Halloween holidays*

*7th* ***November****- Children return to school after Halloween holidays.*

**Jo Jingles**

We would like to say a big “Welcome Back” to Miss Doreen from Jo Jingles Music and Movement Company. The children will have Jo Jingles sessions every Wednesday morning. The cost of these sessions are covered in the £3.00 you pay every Monday so there is no need to pay anything extra.

**Our Lending Library**

Now that we are all settled into Nursery, we will be starting our Lending Library.

Every Tuesday/Wednesday the children will pick their own book to read at home. These will go home in their own book bag and we ask that they are returned on a Friday so they can be sorted again for the week after.

**Family Project**

Every month we like to have a Family Project for you to enjoy doing together at home.

During the month of October, we would like you to paint a pumpkin together as a family. These can be brought into school & placed on the shelf above your child’s coat by **23rd October.** We can’t wait to see them all!