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Friday 17th October 2025

What we have been learning...

As we continue to explore our core text "Owl Babies", we brought the story to life through experiencing real owls coming into our Nursery. We met "Flint", "Matilda" and "Nugget". The children learnt about each of the owls favourite food and had the opportunity to hold one of the owls themselves.

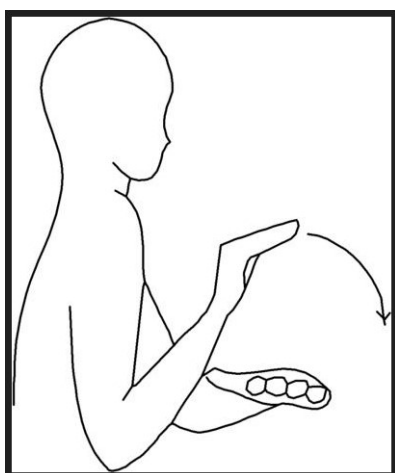
Next week we will begin to explore different celebrations including Diwali and Halloween.

As part of our Concept Cat learning we have been learning all about "over".



Each week we are going to introduce a new Makaton sign. Makaton is a unique communication programme that uses symbols (pictures), signs (gestures) and speech to enable people to communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language and expression.

Our Makaton Sign this week is: Over



Attendance (9-16 October)

Suzanne (am)	97.9%
Retreat (am)	97.2%
Emma (pm)	95.8%
Beth / Kate (am)	94.4%
Emma (am)	91.6%
Suzanne (pm)	91.6%
Retreat (pm)	87.5%
Beth / Kate (pm)	85.4%
Gillian(am)	85.0%
Kiran	83.9%
Gillian (pm)	79.6%

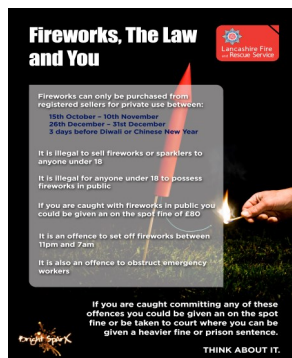
Well done to Suzanne's morning group for the best attendance.

At home you could talk about the different ways you might use "over". You might go on a walk talking about the different items you might step "over", just like Concept Cat.

Primary School Admissions

Don't forget if your child is starting primary school in September 2026, the deadline is 15th January 2026. You can submit your application online via the [Lancashire County Council website](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/primary-school-admissions).

If you need any help with the form, we have someone coming into nursery to help. This is on **Thursday 20th November between 11.30am—1pm**. There is no need to book an appointment, just call into nursery between those times.



Just a reminder of drop-off and collection times:

8.45am—drop-off
11.40am —collection

12.40pm—drop-off
3.35pm—collection

If you are going to be late or someone else is collecting your child, please inform the office on 01282 457235. Thank you.

HALF TERM ACTIVITIES



Key Dates

Thursday 23rd October—nursery closes at the end of the day for half term.

Monday 3rd November—nursery re-opens at 8.40 am.

Thursday 20th November—come to nursery between 11.30am-1pm if you need help with the primary school admissions form.