

# WHAT'S ON AT WOODLANDERS?

In this issue.  
Seasons Greetings  
Fidgety feet  
Forest school  
Keeping everyone safe  
Safeguarding  
Nativity  
Remembrance day

## Seasons Greetings!

Season's Greetings to all of our families and friends, we are coming to an end of our first full term and Wow what a busy term it has been! In our Rooms the children have been learning all about Diwali (festival of lights) In the Oaks room we have made fantastic Rangoli Patterns of rice and Mehndi hand patterns. In Willows the children have been exploring Diwali and bonfire night with stories, painting, and playdoh- even making their own clay Diva. We have also been learning about the Jewish festival Hanukkah and creating lovely Menorah art.



Oaks children proudly showing of their amazing Menorah art



We have spent time baking this half term, the children have loved finding amazing low sugar recipes in our new recipe books, and with a little help- baking some delicious Oat Cookies. Our recipe books have been made available for our families to borrow- if you would like to borrow a book or copy a recipe -please talk to your key person and they will be happy to help.

Baking in the Willows Room.



## Forest school

It has been a Wet and Windy term at forest school but that hasn't stopped our little explorers from having a lovely time, they have been playing with mud, water and sticks, having lots of hot chocolate and marshmallows. We have collected natural foliage to help to make our Remembrance Day wreath, built lots of dens and decorated our forest Christmas tree.

*For the safety of our children when we have a warning of high winds, we use our lovely circle garden.*



*Our tree decorated with leaf tinsel and topped with a natural star*

## Fidgety Feet



We have been very excited this term to have welcomed Aviva from Fidgety feet to provide dance classes for our children over the past 4 weeks, the children have been exploring multicultural themes using movement and dance, this week we have enjoyed a story about chinese new year, we hope to continue dance classes in the new year and be able to invite the elms and willows children to join in too!

## !Keeping everyone safe!

The children have been enjoying playing with our new traffic light, and this opened up a great opportunity to learn about keeping ourselves and each other safe. When using our roads and in the spirit of road safety we would like to remind parents and carers to not park along woodland road when dropping off and picking up, this is hazardous to our children and members of the public, we would like to thank you in advance for helping to keep our families safe.



# Our Safeguarding Team.



**Sally Down**  
DSL level 3



**Sam Forwood**  
deputy DSL level 3



**Ellie Sanderson**  
Trustee level 2

At Woodlanders we are committed to Safeguarding all children and adults. Our full safeguarding policy can be found on the Woodlanders Website. If you ever have any questions or concerns regarding a child or adult in or out of the setting, no matter how small, please talk to Sally or Sam our Designated safeguarding lead and deputy. We also have a new Safeguarding trustee Ellie Sanderson. More information to support parents and carers in keeping children safe in an uncertain world; as well as links to advice and assistance can be found at: [www.devonsafeguardingchildren.org](http://www.devonsafeguardingchildren.org)

## Our Nativity

Well done to our Oaks children for such a fantastic nativity performance of the Bossy King! Thankyou to all the parents and carers for coming and supporting them, It was so lovely to see all of our families and friends enjoying the show. We also would like to say thankyou to everyone who supported our raffle this year and the many local businesses that donated so many amazing prizes.



## Munchkins

Term time Mondays  
10am-12.30pm  
at Woodlanders

Spud  
Club

Come for a hot lunch, messy play,  
stories and songs for under  
5s.

Adults £3.50 Children £1.50 each

### Additional information:

#### Term dates:

Our last day of term is Friday 16th December  
we are back on Wednesday 4th January.

#### Who to Contact??

For bookings or session requests please email  
Charley: [admin@woodlanderspreschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@woodlanderspreschool.co.uk)  
For questions about funding or invoices please  
contact Kate:

[officemanager@woodlanderspreschool.co.uk](mailto:officemanager@woodlanderspreschool.co.uk)  
If your child is ill or cannot come into their  
session, please pop a message on your  
tapestry account so that the rooms are aware.

## Remembrance day 2022



A big thankyou and well done to Monty who laid a wreath on behalf of Woodlanders at the remembrance parade. Monty was accompanied by his mum Ellie who is one of our trustees and part of our safeguarding team. It was lovely to see lots of other Woodlanders children and their families there too. This year the children at forest school helped to make our own sustainable wreath from natural foliage, and poppies made from reused material. We still made our usual donation to the poppy appeal.



*We hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New year!*