# October 2026

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**Eastwood Newsletter—Issue 23**

# HOUSEKEEPING

## General reminders

- If your child is going to be away on holiday, please notify us as soon as possible in writing. All absences should be emailed to edn@eastwood.wandsworth.sch.uk or admin@eastwood.wandsworth.sch.uk
- **Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy and Procedures: the use of mobile phones is not permitted in the building. This includes the reception and corridor areas, staff have been asked to challenge any mobile phone usage.**
- Please make sure when entering or leaving the premises you **do not open the door** for any other individuals or families.

**Upcoming Events**

Please keep an eye out for all of the upcoming events that we are offering to families during the rest of this term.

Upcoming Events



EASTWOOD NURSERY SCHOOL
Centre for children & families

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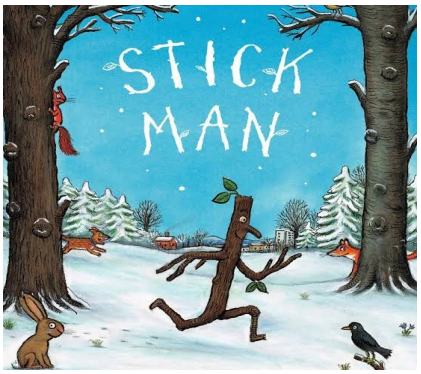
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## Acorns



# Our Focus Story...




The children have been focusing on the story, 'Stick man' by Julia Donaldson. They have been using sticks in their everyday play as tools for exploration. They have also been looking pictures of their own families and talking about the special people in their lives.

The children have used dough and sticks that they found outside to make their very own stick man and stick families.







# Exploration...

The children have had an incredible month of active, hands-on learning. Focused entirely on exploring using their whole bodies; their senses to investigate new textures, sounds and the changing seasons. They have been enjoying messy sensory play this month, and exploring the texture of cornflour and sand which has been a massive favourite as they investigated with their hands and bodies.



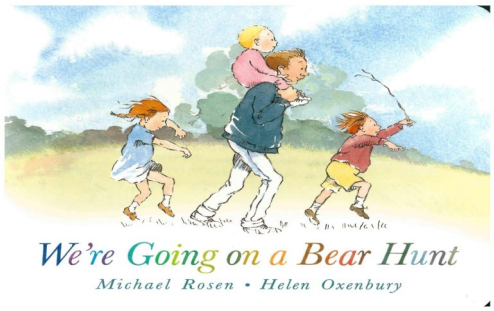
The children have also been using communication buttons to record and play back familiar sounds and songs, which has been fantastic for boosting their language and listening skills. Finally, they have embraced all things autumnal by exploring real pumpkins, rolling up their sleeves to scoop out the seeds and pulp while talking about how it felt, smelled, and looked





# Oak Class

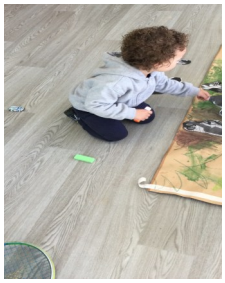





## Our Focus Story...

**The children have** been reading the wonderful story We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen, which has sparked so much physical and creative exploration. They have been exploring the concepts of "over" and "under" as they navigated exciting obstacle courses to find the bear. To bring the story's journey to life, the children have also created their own maps, exploring the different areas the characters travel through in the book and beautifully recreating these landscapes on paper.

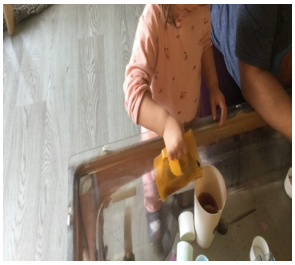








## What would you like?



The children have been making tea in the water tray, which has quickly evolved into a fantastic imaginative play experience. They have been taking the tea and using it to create their very own cafe and workspaces. This has been a wonderful way for them to practice sharing, taking turns and role playing different jobs as they serve their customers and manage their busy offices.



## Ready, steady, go

The children have been looking at Sir Lewis Hamilton and the amazing cars that he drives. They have explored different types of race cars and have even attempted to make their own cars and tracks in the garden. They have also been looking at the art work of Alma Thomas and have recreated this.



Beech Class






## Our Focus Story...

**The children have** been focusing on the story Oh No, George! by Chris Haughton, which has inspired lots of fun creativity and building. They have made their very own "George" characters using tubes and stickers, and they have also constructed houses just like the ones in the story. Of course, the Oh no George theme would not be complete without the famous chocolate cake, so the children have had a wonderful time making their own version of it too.







## Mini Beasts...





The children have continued learning about mini beasts and have used the garden to find their own on an exciting bug hunt. They have also been recreating what they think these tiny creatures look like, working together to draw and paint them on large-scale paper. They have been looking closely at the key features and talking about these.



## Its Autumn season

The children have made their very own Halloween pictures by using splat paint and googly eyes to create colourful and non-scary monsters. They have also been learning some Halloween songs and exploring with pumpkins

