

As part of our focus on listening we went on a listening walk to find out what we could hear around the school as well as outside. We were surprised to find that when we listen really carefully we hear things that we didn't know were making a noise. For example when we sat really still in the classroom we could hear the ticking of the alarm clock we use for our dance alarm. We also heard a whistle on the big yard, feet on the ramp outside, people talking, children playing and singing, clapping in assembly, cars and aeroplanes amongst many other things. These sorts of activities help the children to discriminate between different sounds which they need to be able to do to help them discriminate between letter sounds. You could go on a listening walk around your house and see how many different things you can hear. We would love to hear how you get on!

The conker counting machine has been a big hit in Nursery this week. The children have to roll their conkers down the cardboard tube and count them as they pop out of the bottom. The children have also been exploring magnets this week and investigating which objects are attracted to the magnet.

On Thursday it was National Poetry Day with the theme of 'Change'. We enjoyed some Autumn rhymes, particularly when we pretended to be the Autumn leaves swirling around in the wind! The children also listened to some poems during snack time.





Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 23rd, Thursday 25th October and Friday 26th October - 'Dough Disco Stay and Play'. We will open the gates at 11:15am and 2:45pm on those days for any parents/carers who would like to join us (you only need to come to one of these sessions).

Monday 22nd October and Tuesday 6th November - Parent Consultations. Letters have been sent out this week - please look out for them in trays.

Many thanks for all the emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to <u>karen.pringle@ntlp.org.uk</u> Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday. The Nursery Team