

Otters – Weekly Newsletter

What a lovely first week we have had in Otter Class! The children have been busy settling into their new classroom, getting to know routines, building relationships with adults and friends and exploring all the exciting learning opportunities around them.

This week has been very much about getting to know each other and helping the children to feel happy, safe and confident in their new environment.

We are so proud of how the children have approached their first week and are looking forward to continuing to learn, play and grow together!

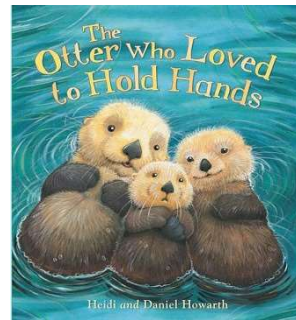
Play & Learn

The children have had lots of opportunities to explore our different areas of provision and develop confidence within their new environment. We have had opportunities for role play including, the café, chefs cooking in our kitchen area and choosing and “paying” for food in the supermarket.



Numeracy

We have been beginning to explore mathematical ideas through our play. We have been noticing numbers, counting objects and exploring concepts such as more/less, big/small and full/half full. We will continue to develop these skills through practical, hands-on activities and our continuous provision next week.



Literacy

This week we have been developing our communication and language skills through play and exploration. We have been listening to stories together, including “The Otter who Loved to Hold Hands” – by Heidi and Daniel Howarth and have practised looking, listening and responding during circle time. We have also been encouraging children to communicate their wants, needs and interests with adults and peers.

Thank you for a wonderful first week! We hope that you all have a lovely, relaxing weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone again next week.

