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19th September 2025

THIS WEEK. . .

. . . we explored different shapes: by creating a butterfly, we learnt about shapes and colours, and explored how the different boxes, lids and containers felt. What different shapes can you find at home?



We love to bake and this week we made delicious banana muffins; pre-school smelled fantastic. . .

Cooking is a great activity for children, and you can incorporate lots of counting, weighing, mixing and pouring! The BBC has lots of recipes that are ideal to do with children - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/kidsrecipes>

OUR GARDEN

Most of the colourful plants have now finished, but there are still lots of interesting things to see and do. Leaves are changing colour and are falling from the trees along with acorns. We often use natural resources in our crafting sessions; if you are out exploring over the next few days, please collect some colourful natural resources for us. Ideas for things to collect are conkers, leaves, interesting twigs, pebbles etc.



Essex County Council have asked us to share details of the Start Well Roadshows: Mid Essex Children's Partnership are working with services including Essex County Council and the Family Hubs, to provide Start Well Roadshows where you can speak to a range of professionals to find out how to give your child the best start in life.

More info is available here - <https://www.tlc-essex.info/resource/mid-essex-start-well-roadshows/>

GETTING IN TOUCH

For queries about funding, invoices, uniform, session changes, etc. please email Nicola in the office stockpreschool@stockpreschool.org.uk or call 07952 640570. For anything 'on the day' eg. child is unwell, or you are running late for pick up etc. please call pre-school direct on 07488 437821.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY term dates can be found here [Term dates | Stock Pre-School](#)

END OF THIS HALF TERM

Friday 17th October

START OF NEXT HALF TERM

Monday 3rd November

PLEASE NOTE OUR OCTOBER HALF-TERM HOLIDAY IS 2 WEEKS LONG THIS YEAR

