

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)



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**Safeguarding is
EVERYONE'S
responsibility.**

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of any child, please contact Nerys, Taylor or Xanthe, our **Designated Safeguarding Leads**, in confidence.

Health Matters

At this time of year, lots of children suffer from minor coughs and colds. If your child is well in themselves and able to take part in the nursery routine, then they may come to nursery.

Please ensure your contact details are up to date, and you are contactable should your child become unwell and need collecting.

You must let us know if you gave your child infant paracetamol (e.g. Calpol), or any other medicine before they came to nursery.

If your child has a temperature of over 38C they should NOT come to nursery. If a child has a temperature during nursery, we will call to arrange collection and discuss administering an emergency dose of Calpol at nursery.

If your child has an infectious illness or communicable disease, they should NOT come to nursery. This includes:

- Sickness/ diarrhoea – may return 48 hours after the last episode.
- Scarlet Fever- may return after 24hrs of antibiotic treatment
- Chicken pox – may return five days from onset of rash and when all the lesions have crusted over.
- Impetigo – may return when all lesions are crusted /healed

Antibiotics- Children must have their first dose of antibiotics at home to ensure no allergic reaction takes place. Following this, children can return to nursery if they are well enough and have no temperature. Senior staff can administer antibiotics at nursery.

Please let us know if your child will not be in nursery for any reason- you can use the family app, email us or ring us.

What have we been learning?

To recognise Remembrance Day, we took part in poppy themed creative activities and experiences.



At Blue Bell Woods, British Values are embedded in our curriculum.

We promote:

- Democracy
- Mutual Respect
- Tolerance
- Rule of Law
- Individual Liberty

Remembrance Day helps children make links between their lives, their freedoms, and the values in England.





As part of our curriculum, we recognise different beliefs and cultural practices. For many children and families, Diwali is an important festival, so we embraced this special occasion.



We looked at traditional rangoli patterns and then created our own designs.



We made and decorated diva lamps using playdough, PVA glue and glitter. Using these sorts of malleable materials helps to strengthen hand muscles; this supports later skills of holding mark making tools and writing.



Henna hand painting!

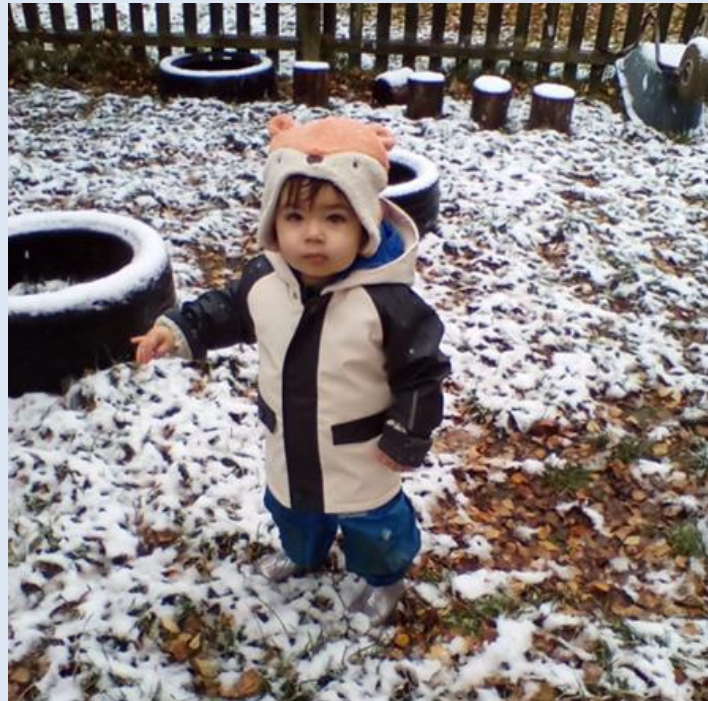


Children in Need 2024



We had great fun taking part in activities to support the charity 'Children in Need'. The children wore some fantastic spotty outfits and Pudsey Bear themed clothing! This was the perfect opportunity to develop our math's skills with counting and colour recognition.

Let it snow!



The children were so excited to see the nursery garden covered in snow! We wrapped up warm and enjoyed the experience.

Christmas Fun!



Working together as a team!



Tree decorating!



Lights and sensory exploration!



Decoration making!



Blue Bell Woods Christmas Events 2024

Festive Stay and Play

Families are invited to join us for a festive stay and play with activities, food and drinks available for all to enjoy. There will be 3 sessions available on

Monday 9th December 10-11am or 4-5pm
or **Friday 13th December 10-11am.**

There will be a maximum of **15 spaces available per session** due to limited space. Please **book your space** [here](#) .

Christmas Jumper day: Thursday 12th December

Children and staff are invited to wear Christmas jumpers to nursery throughout this week.

Christmas Dinner: Thursday 19th December

All dietary requirements will be catered to as usual

Christmas Party Week: Monday 16th – Friday 20th December

A range of festive fun will be on offer during nursery sessions for the last week of term!

Last day for term-time only children- Friday 20th December

Last day for Stretched nursery places – Tuesday 24th December

Nursery will close at **4pm** to begin Christmas Celebrations.

Nursery re-opens on Thursday 2nd January 2025 at 7.45am for Stretched nursey places.

Monday 6th January 2025- All sessions resume as Spring Term 2025 begins.

If your child will not be in nursery on any days leading up to Christmas, please let us know so that we can adjust our catering arrangements.
Thank you.