

At Blue Bell Woods, we believe the safety and well-being of each child is paramount.

## Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs)

If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of any child, please talk to a **Designated Safeguarding Lead**, in confidence.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

## CHILD ABUSE HAPPENS IN WARWICKSHIRE

## NOTICE THINGS!

Four headshots of the Deputy DSLs are arranged in a row. From left to right: Taylor-Lee Sketchley, a young woman with brown hair and glasses; Nerys Evans, an older woman with short grey hair; Rachel Porter, a woman with blonde hair; and Samantha Monino, a woman with long dark hair. Below each photo is their name and title in bold black text.

**Our DSLs receive robust safeguarding training and provide support to staff members to carry out their safeguarding duties.**

## Dates for your diary

✿ **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Dinner

✿ **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Jumper Day



Save the Children use the money raised on Christmas Jumper Day to help children in the UK and all around the world. If you are able, please [DONATE HERE.](#)

✿ **w/b 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Festive Stay and Play sessions  
Invites have been sent via the FAMLY app.

✿ Festive party games, music and activities all week!

✿ **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December** - End of Autumn Term  
Term time only sessions finish.

✿ **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Eve  
**Nursery CLOSSES at 4pm.**

If your child will not be attending on any days in the lead up to Christmas, please let us know so we can adjust our catering arrangements.

✿ **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Day (**CLOSED**)

✿ **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December** - Boxing Day (**CLOSED**)

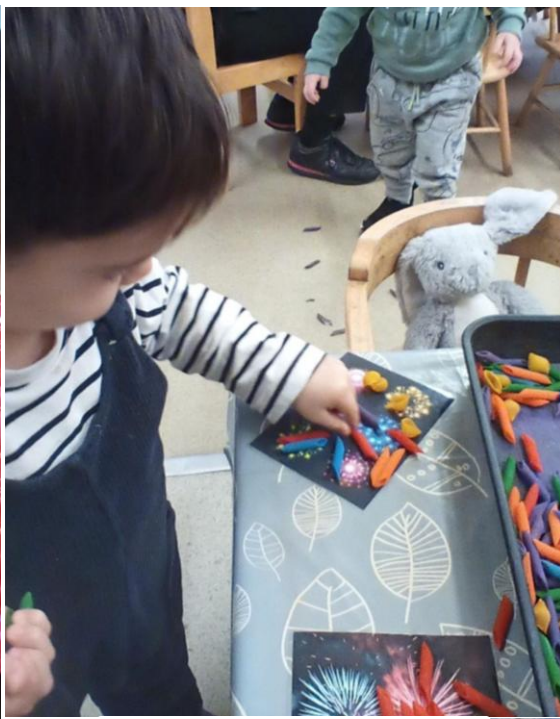
✿ **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2026**  
Christmas Closure  
**Nursery CLOSED ALL WEEK**

✿ **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026** - Spring Term begins.  
Nursery reopens at 7.45am



# Our Educational Programme

**Bonfire Night!** We took time to explore a range of multi-sensory activities. Exploring materials and media inspires young children to think flexibly and creatively, but most of all it's fun!



**Expressive Arts and Design:**  
Explore colour  
and colour  
mixing.



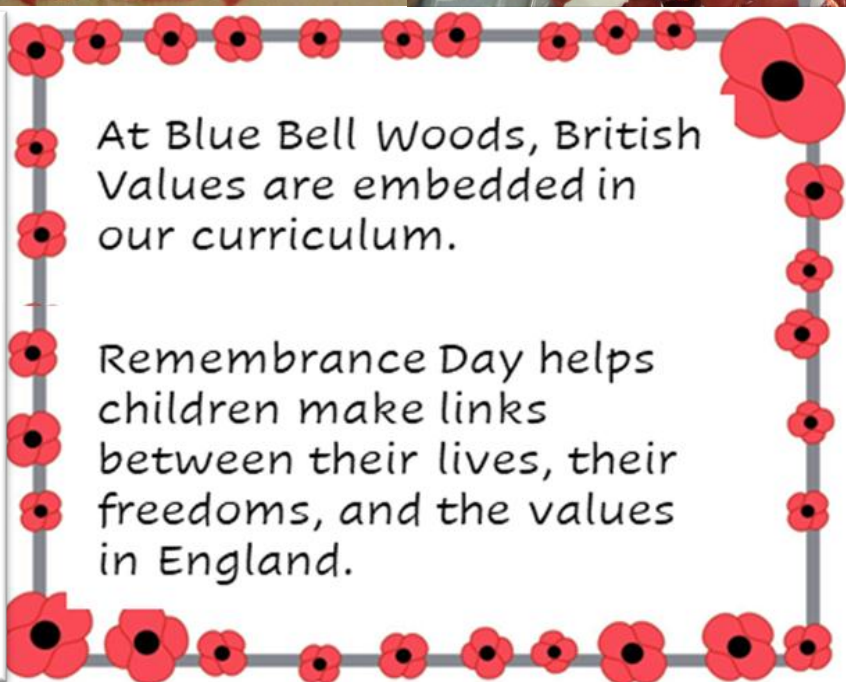
**Expressive Arts and Design:** Explore different materials freely, explore different textures.

**Understanding the World:**  
Explore materials with different properties.



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



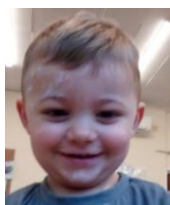
Happy birthday to the children celebrating in December!



Ellis



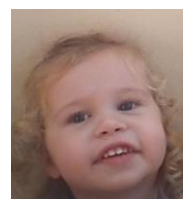
Henry



Marley



Rayaan



Rudy-John

# Positive Behaviour and Attitudes

## Our GOLDEN RULES and EXPECTATIONS

### GOLDEN RULES

Our GOLDEN RULES are promoted consistently at nursery.



We are  
kind in  
nursery.



We stay  
safe in  
nursery.

#### **We are kind in nursery**

We teach children the importance of treating others with kindness, care and respect.

#### **We stay safe in nursery**

We teach children how to behave in a way that keeps themselves and others safe.

### EXPECTATIONS

We support children to follow our behaviour EXPECTATIONS; we encourage children to meet these expectations as they grow and mature, in preparation for school.



Good



listening



Good



walking



Quiet



voices



Kind



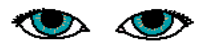
hands



Good



sitting



Good looking

- ✓ We ensure a consistent approach by staff.
- ✓ We support children's emotional development, their self-regulation and their interactions with others.
- ✓ We enable children to develop a sense of appropriate behaviour and positive self-image.
- ✓ We put age-appropriate boundaries in place that foster positive interactions between children.

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## Family Partnership

### Working together

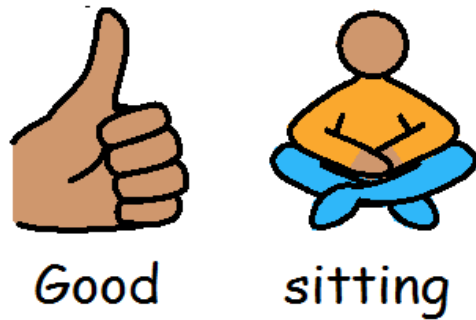
Children benefit from clear boundaries and consistent expectations; it helps them to feel safe. When we as adults respond consistently, children learn that their well-being matters which fosters a sense of security.



Support your child to do 'good listening' at home.

Try saying your child's name first to gain their attention and speak to them at eye level.

Give short, simple instructions and praise your child's 'good listening'!



Encourage 'good sitting' at home.

At nursery, we always sit and eat at the table together. Encourage your child to do 'good sitting' at mealtimes, and when having a drink or snack.

We encourage children to sit for increasing lengths of time for stories, circle time and activities as they progress through the nursery. You can share books, chat and sing with your child to develop listening and attention skills at home.

### Lending Library

Feel free to borrow a book or story sack from our lending library in the nursery lobby.

We offer an exciting range of resources which you can borrow and share together; take the opportunity to celebrate your child's 'good listening' and 'good sitting'!



# Supporting Learning at Home

## 'time to talk' at Christmas!



**The best present you can give a child is:**

- a) expensive?
- b) electronic?
- c) huge?
- d) your time and attention! It costs nothing!**

## Cardboard Boxes

Is it just a box? Or could it be a...  
boat, rocket, house, tractor, shop,  
cave...



## Homemade Musical Instruments

Shakers are great for  
learning to listen!

All sorts of containers can  
be filled with all sorts of  
things!



## Bubbles

Bubbles are a great  
way to share  
attention – dip the  
wand... but wait for  
your child to look or  
say 'blow'.

