



Countryside Day Nursery Newsletter July 2025

Daddies Afternoon

On Tuesday 10th June we welcomed our Daddies , Granddad's and Uncles into Countryside Day Nursery for a Daddies afternoon..

We had a range of activities on offer in the rooms , a Merry-go-round in the field and Hot dogs were served in the kitchen.

I would like to thank all our Dads , Granddads and Uncles so much for joining in with this event. The children were so excited that they were coming into play, they just couldn't wait. Thank you so much for giving up your valuable time and for making your child's day a very special and memorable day.



Ladybirds Learning Activities in June 2025



Making marks in the shaving foam.



Exploring the sandpit.



Showing an interest in books.



Enjoying the wild animal sensory tray.



Cooling down with some waterplay fun.



Exploring the Jungle animals and Spinach sensory tray.



Exploring the sorting toys.



Printing with Potatoes.



Having fun in the ball pool.

Hedgehogs Learning Activities in June 2025



Looking for insects under the logs.



Puppet show fun.



Building towers together.



Having fun on the tree.



Enjoying a singing session in the garden.



Mark making with water and brushes.



Keeping cool playing with the water tray.



Paddling Pool fun!



Saying hello to Tiddler.



Enjoying exploring the play dough.

Little Squirrels Learning Activities in June 2025



Trying out the new tractors.



Exploring the rice tray.



Having great fun splashing in the puddles.



Looking at shapes and colours.



Exploring the Farm sensory tray.



Practising our races ready for Sports Day.



Exploring the diggers and sand.



Enjoying a picnic snack,



Using the pipets to fill and empty the jars and jugs.

Big Squirrels Learning Activities in June 2025



Making fruit kebabs.



Flying our kites.



Paddling Pool fun in the sun.



Wearing our crowns.



Enjoying our barbeque snack in the meadow.



Decorating our Birthday cakes.



Creating Butterflies.



Having lots of fun on the slippery slide.



Practicing our races.



Elsa came to visit.



Completing the hula hoop challenge.



Practicing our races.

Big Squirrels Trip to Newent Library

On Thursday 12th June Big Squirrels went on a trip to Newent Library to see Grace's friend Amanda and to change our books and get new ones.

Amanda had organised for us to see lots of "b" items, she read us "b" for book with lots of "b" words and we sang lots of "b" songs, we had a lovely time.



Big Squirrels Trip to Staverton Airport

On Monday 16th June Big Squirrels went on the Nursery Minibus to visit Staverton Airport to watch the aeroplane's and helicopters land and take off and fly as they had been learning about the letter "F". We sat in the garden of the café and had a drink and some crisps which the children enjoyed.

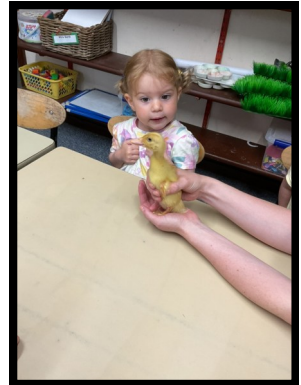


Henry's Ducklings



On Monday 16th June Henry kindly brought in his ducklings for all the children to see, hold and learn about.

This was such a wonderful experience for the children, and as you can see from the photographs the children were fascinated by the ducklings.



Big Squirrels Trip to Hartpury College

On Tuesday 24th June Big Squirrels were invited to Hartpury College as they were looking at the letter "H". The children wore High Vis jackets, they saw Horses, which they enjoyed stroking and fed them Herbal treats, they sat in a Horse Box and were shown a Horses Hoof and Hay bales.. So saw Many "H" words. Thank you so much for inviting us it was a truly Marvelous.



Big Squirrels trip to Costa Coffee

On Monday 2nd June Big Squirrels went on a trip to Costa Coffee for baby Chinos and cake as they have been looking at the letter "C". We had a lovely time.



Grace's Birthday Celebrations

On Wednesday 25th June, all the children and staff gathered together in the garden to celebrate Grace's birthday with a Birthday cake, gifts and cards made by the children. In the afternoon the Big Squirrels enjoyed a trip to Hoppity Poppits where they had so much fun.



Thank you to.....

Thank you Isabella

We would like to thank Isabella's family for very kindly donating all these wonderful resources to us.

This was extremely kind of you to think of us and I am sure they will be greatly used.

Thank you so much.



Thank you to Emilia

We would like to thank Emilia's family for donating this wonderful Ball Pit Pool to the Ladybird room.

The children are having lots of fun playing in it.

Thank you so much, this was very kind.



Thank you to Ezmae

Thank you to Ezmae's family for very kindly donating these clothes for us to use as spares at Nursery.

This was very kind of you to think of us and they will come in very handy.

Thank you so much for thinking of us.



Thank you to Fred

Thank you to Fred's family for very kindly donating these lovely resources for the other children to enjoy at Nursery.

This was so kind of you to think of us and the children are having lots of fun playing with these new resources.

Thank you so much.



Magic Moments

Please let us know if your child has done something exciting at home and we will celebrate it here with a Wow Certificate! It is really wonderful to see our children taking steps forward in their learning and development and they also love sharing their certificates with their friends during Circle Time.

Ladybirds: Congratulations to **Chloe** for settling into Nursery. Well done to **Billie** for coming into Nursery happily. Congratulations to **Theo** and **Zachary** for sleeping on a matt at Nursery. Well done to **Ivy** for being kind to your friends at Nursery. Congratulations to **Elsa** for practicing your independent drinking from an open cup. Well done to **Emilia** for practicing your independent eating with a spoon. Congratulations to **Elsie.V** for starting to take your first independent steps. Well done to **Ivy** and **Xander** for being helpful at tidy up time.

Little Squirrels: Congratulations to **Mabel BM** for being brave at the Dentist. Well done to **Mabel Y** for doing so well wearing pants. Congratulations to **Bianca** for being a great big sister.

Big Squirrels: Well done to **Levi, Diego** and **Finley** for riding your bikes without stabilisers, that's amazing, what clever boys you are. Well done to **Levi** for being brave at the hospital.

Congratulations to all of you superstars!

Little Squirrels Carpet

On Friday 6th June Little Squirrels carpet had a clean and now looks amazing!

So many thanks to Chris and his team from GP Cleaners for completing this for us.



Thank you to BB Services



I would like to thank BB services for very kindly assembling our new tractors together for us and for completing our maintenance. The children are have so much fun riding around on these new resources.



Big Squirrels Reports

This month its the time for Big Squirrels Transition Reports to go to school. Grace and Laura have been writing the reports and when your child leaves Big Squirrel Room then these reports will be sent home to be then taken to school in September. We have been continuously contacting the local schools and we have had an excellent response with many reception teachers meeting up with us via the telephone, zoom or actually visiting the Nursery and meeting the children in the Big Squirrels Class. I have been very pleased with these responses as the conversations which we have all help to support a smooth transition from Nursery to school in September 2025.

Please can all parents make sure that you sign these transition reports and that you then deliver them to school. Thank you.

September 2025 information evening

On Thursday 4th September at 7-00pm- 8-00pm Grace and Laura (Big Squirrels) would like to invite all of the 2026 school cohort children's parents/ carers to Nursery to have an informative evening discussing what we are going to complete in Big Squirrels for the forthcoming academic year and how we are going to prepare your child for school

We will also be talking about school applications and we will have a power point offering information to parents about this process.

We will also be showing you, how we use the "ready for school learning programme" which is a great programme to support each child in Big Squirrels

We would encourage as many parents as possible as we always say in Big Squirrels, the more you work with us during this final year, the more prepared your child will be for school. This really does make a massive difference to help consolidate your child's learning and set them up to be confident happy active life long learners- exciting times ahead!!

Therefore, if you would like to attend this evening, please email Grace at info@countrysidedaynursery.co.uk and then Grace will book you places for the evening.

Dates for your Diary

Just a quick summary of some important dates for your diaries with more details to follow:-

Tuesday 8th July- Hedgehogs Sports Day 10-30-12-30

Wednesday 9th July- Little Squirrels Sports Day 10.00- 12.00

Wednesday 9th July-Big Squirrels Sports day starts at 1-30 with leavers ceremony starts at 4-00pm

Christmas Closing Dates

Dates for Christmas Break 2025

Friday 19th December 2025-Nursery closes @ 6pm

Monday 5th January 2026-Nursery re-opens @ 8am