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## October

<p><b><u>Theme:</u></b> Autumn/Halloween –This month we will be learning all about the changes from summer to autumn, all the changes we can see outside and how the leaves change colour and fall off the trees. We will be using lots of these leaves to make some autumn crafts.</p>	
<p><b><u>Fancy Dress:</u></b> We will be having our Halloween party and dress up day on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	<p><b><u>Closures:</u></b> The Playgroup will be closed Monday 30<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October for Halloween.</p>
<p><b><u>Settling in Reports:</u></b> We will be sending home reports on each child and how they have settled shortly after Halloween.</p>	<p><b><u>Birthdays:</u></b> This month we would like to wish a very happy birthday to Harper, Karly and Alice. Have a wonderful birthday.</p>
<p><b><u>Label Clothing:</u></b> Can we ask that all items of clothing are labelled for your child as we have already had a few mixed up jumpers.</p>	
<p><b><u>Toys:</u></b> Can we please ask that toys from home are not brought to the setting. Some children are finding it difficult to separate from their toys to enjoy their time in the setting.</p>	
<p><b><u>Returning information:</u></b> If you are returning any forms, notes or information to the setting by placing it in your child's school bag, please can you send a message to the playgroup mobile to inform staff as we do not check children's bags unless told by a parent</p>	

**Fees:**

Can any outstanding fees for September please be paid as soon as possible along with fees for October. £25 registration fee & £20 monthly fee. If anyone still owes for Jumpers can these please be paid this month. Jumpers are £15.

**Easy Fundraising:**

The playgroup have signed up to easy fundraising, which means that over 4000 shops will donate a percentage of your spending to the playgroup every time you shop online. All you have to do is either download the easy fundraising app onto your smart phone and follow the simple steps to create an account and use this to shop or use the easy fundraising website if doing your online shopping on a computer or laptop. Even a small amount can help the playgroup and it is totally free for you to use. There is a link on our Facebook page for more details or help to sign up.

**Policy Sheets:**

Can we ask that anyone who has not yet returned these sheets please do so as soon as possible. Extra sheets were sent home to anyone outstanding. If you require another one, please ask a member of staff.

**Sponsored Walk:**

Could all sponsored walk money please be brought in by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October.  
Many thanks, your contribution is greatly appreciated.

## Rhymes

### Dingle Dangle Scarecrow

When all the cows were sleeping  
and the sun had gone to bed,  
Up jumped the scarecrow  
and this is what he said,

I'm a dingle dangle scarecrow  
with a flippy floppy hat,  
I can shake my hands like this  
and shake my feet like that.

When all the hens were roosting  
and the moon behind the cloud  
Up jumped the scarecrow  
and shouted very loud,

I'm a dingle dangle scarecrow  
with a flippy floppy hat,  
I can shake my hands like this  
and shake my feet like that.

### Incey Wincey Spider

The incey wincey spider  
Climbed up the spout  
Down came the rain  
And washed the spider out  
Out came the sun  
And dried up all the rain  
And the incey wincey spider  
Climbed up again.

### Autumn Leaves

(In the tune of London Bridge)

Autumn leaves are falling down  
Red and yellow, orange and brown  
Turning, turning round and round  
Down, down, down.

### Scarecrow Song

(In the tune of Twinkle Twinkle)

Scarecrow, scarecrow, turn around  
Scarecrow, scarecrow, touch the ground  
Scarecrow, scarecrow, reach up high  
Scarecrow, scarecrow, touch the sky  
Scarecrow, scarecrow, bend down low  
Scarecrow, scarecrow, touch your toes.