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Nursery Newsletter

This week we are going to be.....

not doing a great deal because it's half term though Mrs Hawke is a mixed bag of emotions as she's leading the 1000 Lincoln supporters descending on Colchester but incandescent with rage as the shuttle bus from the station to the ground no longer exists.

When we return after half term, it will be festival week. We will be carrying out activities based around Diwali and making rangoli patterns using coloured rice. These are decorative patterns used on the floor and are thought to bring good luck. As well as learning about Diwali, we will be encouraging the children to create their own patterns and at a more basic level, showing them how to use glue paddles properly.

The children will draw around their own hands or be given blank pictures of hands and be given the opportunity to create their own Mehndi patterns. This is a body art that is often used during times of celebration in India with dye that can last up to 8 weeks. We'll content ourselves with felt tips and work on children holding writing implements correctly and with good control.

One of Mrs Steer's favourite activities of the year will be coming up as the children paint a class picture denoting Bonfire night to the strains of Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks. As well as encouraging discussion about any fireworks they have seen, we will talk about the history of the festival.

We have discussed the importance of safety with both Halloween and Bonfire Night coming up and hope all children are kept safe and reminded about the danger of matches, lighters and fireworks and the possibility of stranger danger over the coming week.

You will be able to apply for Reception class places from November 5th on the Hertfordshire council website with the deadline being the middle of January.

Many thanks to Lola and family who have taken Tiger and Goldie on a well-deserved break. We were told that their first meal was broccoli.

Can those people who have not returned the settling in sheet please do so. They only need to be signed and no comments have to be made.

Finally, we'd like to wish everyone a pleasant week off and wish happy birthday to Vinny for the 29th October and Finley for the 2nd November.

The Nursery

