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# NEWSLETTER

#### PRE-SCHOOL AND RECEPTION FUN IN THE FOREST SCHOOL

Last Friday, Pre-School and Reception had a fabulous morning at Forest School. The children learnt and thought about the different dangers within the woods: stinging nettles, running with sticks and having a fire in the camp area.

Mrs Smith showed everyone how to light a fire and stay safe. The children (and teachers) then toasted marshmallows and made s'mores. Well, it would have been a shame to let the fire go to waste!



#### FROGS FLY ME TO THE MOON

After enjoying the story *Shark in the Dark,* the children thought about what they would see when they looked up to the moon; lots of aliens, rockets, spaceships and stars. We decided to create a space area so that the children could imagine what it would be like to travel to the moon.



## TADPOLES PLAYING AND PAINTING

The tadpoles have carried on enjoying the fantastic astro with lots of fun and games in the sunshine. They have also been incredibly busy getting creative and have really worked hard on their cutting and painting skills this week, even the play dough (and teachers) didn't escape without a generous sprinkle of glitter!



#### YEAR 1 MAKING MINI-MES

We have had another busy week in Year 1. The children had to use their brains for a challenge. They were each given some cut out body parts and split pins without any instruction. They quickly worked out that they needed to put the parts together using the split pins to build a little person. I saw some great independence and perseverance as it was rather fiddly!

We have also been talking a lot about harvest and thinking about where different food comes from and how it is harvested. We have painted some lovely pictures of fruit and vegetables and have been singing lots in preparation for our harvest festival. Zara very kindly brought in lots of pears that she had harvested in her garden for our snack. They were delicious!





### RECEPTION CAFE

This week the children were invited to our very own 'Reception Cafe', where they were each given two pennies to pay for their food and drinks. The children had to first find their names to see which table they were sat at and tell us what number table they were on. They then each choose some food and drink from the menu. When they were done, they asked for the bill and came up and paid with their money. It was lots of fun and it inspired the children to run their own cafe, using the play dough to make lots of yummy cakes and biscuits.



#### YEAR 2 THINKING ABOUT HOLIDAYS

What better way to begin the year than thinking about our holidays. This week Year 2 have started their new unit of topic work all about holidays! The children got into the holiday spirit by playing in our new travel agent role-play area. They picked destinations in atlases, selected activities from brochures, wrote bookings for keen classroom travellers and created train and airplane tickets depending on destinations. They even set up an airplane for those travelling further afield.



## MINIS NEWS



### **CELEBRATING ROALD DAHL**

Our Minis had a busy and fun-filled session inventing play dough chocolates for Willy Wonka's factory and creating marvellous medicines for some poorly crocodiles who couldn't stop sneezing! They painted James's giant peach and a Fantastic Mr Fox to take home! There was lots of scooping and stirring in the witch's brew and some of the Minis tried walking like a BFG, which was very tricky. The Minis listened carefully to Roald Dahl's story, '*The Enormous Croco-dile*' and enjoyed finding all the camouflaged crocodiles, just like the enormous crocodile who kept hiding in our story!

