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# **MESSAGE FROM MR JORY**

Another fantastic week, where the children have all worked incredibly hard, filling Pre-Prep with learning and laughter. Pre-Prep has also been full of banging, drilling and smashing, as the builders have been busy creating a permanent space for our mini group, which is going to be fantastic!

This week in assembly we were talking about superheroes. We made an incredible list of fictional and real-life superheroes. We learnt that a hero is someone who we admire for the way they act or for things they have done and not all heroes have super powers. However, we need to remember that we all have the power to help others and make Pre-Prep an amazing place to learn and play.

We also went to the Prep Assembly Hall, which had been transformed into a magical forest. We were treated to live music, amazing singing and met marvellous creatures, who taught as all about Hibernation and how to speak 'Bee!' Ask your child what else they learnt? Who was their favourite character? Why? What was their favourite food? When do they hibernate?

Enjoy reading what else has been going on in Pre-Prep this week and I look forward to seeing what we all learn next week. Well done everyone!

Mr Jory Head of Millfield Pre-Prep

### THE HIBERNATION PLAY





# **KEY DATES**

#### Friday 21 January

Exeat – School finishes at 3:15pm No clubs, creche or late club.

Wednesday 26 January

Year 1 & Year 2 Trip to Carymoor PRE SCHOOL AND RECEPTION

# NATIONAL WINNIE THE POOH DAY

Pre-School and Reception had a lovely time at Forest School on Tuesday. We were celebrating Winnie the Pooh day and in honour, we took our teddy bears to Forest School. We listened to a Winnie the Pooh story, took part in a Winnie the Pooh inspired interpretative dance and bounced like Tiger! Earlier that morning we made fruit kebabs, drizzled in honey for our snack; we are sure this snack would get the thumbs up from Winnie the Pooh! What a great morning.











#### FROGS GINGERBREAD MAN

The Frogs have continued their interests in all things gingerbread. They have helped create a gingerbread bakery and dressed up as the characters from the gingerbread man story and re-enacted it. However, most excitingly they each had a gingerbread man biscuit to eat but they had to decide which part of the gingerbread they were going to eat first, the head, leg or arm! We made a tally chart to see which part of the body was the most popular to eat first. By an overwhelming majority, it was the head! How would you eat your gingerbread man?



### **HIBERNATION**

Pre-Prep School were treated to a live performance from The Little Bulb Theatre Company, for their play called 'Hibernation'. The pupils were transported to a magical forest full of mirth, live music and marvellous creatures. They learnt all about what animals do when the nights draw in and temperatures drop!





# WEIGHT AND MEASURE

This week reception have been looking at weight and measurements! They drew around their hands and cut them out to use them as a measuring tool. We then went on a hunt around school to find things that we could measure. The children put all their hands together to measure the hop scotch and it was 28 hands tall! We have also been looking at the concept of heavier and lighter, using our arms and bodies to test the weight of objects.



#### YEAR 1 FUN WITH MATERIALS

We have been continuing our learning about materials this week in Year 1. We made predictions about which materials would be good to make an umbrella with. We had fun testing them and our classroom teddy got a bit wet in the process! In Forest School, we went for a hunt for different objects and materials. We found a range of both natural and man-made materials and tried to identify them whilst thinking about their properties.



#### YEAR 2 SCIENCE CLUB

Year 2 science club have been very busy this week. They have been engineers by building bridges with sweets and cocktail sticks. The children worked together on their different designs and tested out their bridges to see if it could hold the weight of a toy figure. Brilliant engineering science club!



# MINIS NEWS



# **HIGHLIGHTS SO FAR...**

With the Minis making their return this week, we will have photos of what they have been up to in the next newsletter! This means we still have time for one more highlights page, to continue looking back at all of the exciting activities that happened in the autumn term!

