

Learning Journal 28.6.17

We have been having lots of fun in Splash-visiting woodland workshop and the beach and really enjoying spending time out of doors in the beautiful spaces around us. At the same time we have continued to work hard and be very busy. Here are some of the things we have achieved and enjoyed.

Literacy and Phonics

We are working hard on sentence construction and storytelling in our writing and some of our nursery children wrote some wonderful stories about the Big Good Wolf this week. Reception wrote advice for the younger children moving up next year. It was mostly things like 'flush the toilet' but some put 'work hard' and 'be kind' which were much nicer aspirations.

Mathematics

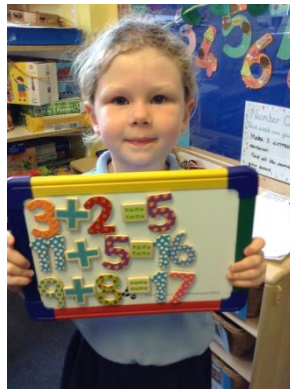
We have been working on calculation using simple number sentences and our vast collection of teddies to add and subtract. Our fantastic Numicon resource helped us to understand place value and some reception children were able to use it to make numbers to 100. We have been having lots of fun with maths and making excellent progress.



Here is a Numicon number line from 13 to 20 made by Harry and Niamh.



And here we made one on our boards of all the teen numbers.



Number work on three different levels. Adding on to 10 to make teen number; adding numbers in our heads to find an answer and sorting and recognising numbers and mathematical symbols.

Other news..... We have been learning to wash our hands really well this week. We covered them with glitter 'germs' and had to use soap and warm water to get the 'germs' off. Hand washing is so important to prevent the spread of illness in school and we were experts by the end of the afternoon.



At woodland workshop, we left messages for the Big Good Wolf to help him be kind and make some friends. We hope he reads and enjoys them. We built a shelter to keep them safe until the wolf came to get them.



But the highlight of the week was our fantastic visit to the beach at Beadnell, where we played and climbed and rolled and dug and built and sang and shouted and laughed non-stop all day.





Eating lunch and blowing bubbles to warm up afterwards!



Digging and rowing in our Viking ship....complete with dragon head at the prow and a team photo to finish!

All the children were delightful and great fun to be with, and the adults enjoyed their day as much as the children. Huge thanks go to our amazing team of volunteers who were endlessly patient, enthusiastic, supportive and helpful. They are the people who make special days like this possible for our children and we are so grateful for their time and enthusiasm.

Next Week.....please see the latest newsletter for our end of term programme of events. Keep checking as there is a lot going on and please ask if you are unsure or need any more information.