

Learning Journal 24.11.17

This week we have been practising our nativity play in earnest with some really good, hard work from all the children involved. There are not many photos, as it will be a big surprise for you. We have enjoyed the children's enthusiasm and humour during rehearsals and there is a real sense of how much they value and respect each other as they encourage and support their friends. We have watched children grow in confidence and make fantastic progress. Please make sure you have got your tickets from Kathy to watch the performance.

On Tuesday we had a fantastic café where we could buy sandwiches, drinks and cakes, all made for us by Daphne and Mrs Foster. We had real money and had to find the right coins for all our food. It was great!



Mathematics

In maths we are learning solid shapes and recognising cube, cuboid, sphere, cylinder and cone. We sorted these shapes and looked at how well they can roll or slide. We will be continuing with this work next week, so if you have boxes or toys at home try to identify what shape they are. We are also continuing our work on subtraction by finding the difference between two numbers.

Literacy and Phonics

Our reception children have made excellent reading progress and this is well supported by all those parents who read with their children at home. This is so important to build in good reading habits from a young age and the children love to show us their hard work at home, so please remember to write in the reading record book whenever you read with your child.

Other news...instead of going to the woods this week we went down to the stream, which is normally a very tiny trickle running through the fields. After all the rain it was much bigger and we even found a little water fall under the bridge. It was a big adventure climbing up and down the muddy banks and having a little paddle. We also found a lot of muddy puddles to splash in.





Next Week.....please return order forms for DVDs of the Christmas show and make sure you have your tickets.

Help at Home.....using real money is very important to help children understand the different coins and their values. Let your child play with coins and sort and arrange them. Keep a set with at least one of every coin in a tub for them to use. Giving regular pocket money and supporting them to spend it is another good way to learn about coins in a world where most purchases are made with plastic or invisibly online.