

Learning Journal 3.3.17

This week...we have had a really exciting time looking at diggers! The road is being built for the work vehicles in the next field and the diggers and lorries are so interesting. We got to go up close and talk to Steven the digger driver. He showed us how the levers controlled different parts of the machine and we looked at the different sized buckets and the caterpillar tracks.



Literacy and Phonics

We have been writing about diggers (funnily enough) and our pancakes on Tuesday. Reception had to read the pancake recipe out while we followed the instructions. They all read it correctly and we had awesome pancakes. New Jake and Tizzy books will be coming home this weekend for the nursery children and they have been working hard in their Talk Boost sessions.

Mathematics

We looked at doubles this week and found the number pattern for the two times table. We counted shoes and toys in twos by whispering the odd numbers and saying the even ones out loud. We did lots of sorting of odd and even numbers in games and activities and recorded the things we found out on whiteboards.



Maths and physical development outside in the sunshine and reading how to make pancakes.

Help at Home.....try sorting socks/gloves/shoes into pairs and finding the ones which match. Then count them in twos with your child. They will not be confident with this yet but the more practise they get the sooner they will pick it up.

Look out for and photograph work vehicles when you are out and about. We will make a collection of our digger photos but would love more to go with them. Talk about what is the same and what is different between vehicles. This helps your child to develop good thinking skills which are important for observing the world around them, especially in science and maths.

Other news.....Woodland workshop was so cold on Thursday that we lit a camp fire to keep warm, then hunted for signs of Spring....and dinosaur bones! Here are some pictures of the things we found.



Pointing to the snowdrops...sort of!



and daffodils are coming through.