



EYFS Newsletter: Autumn 1

Reception

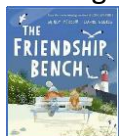
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Literacy - We have been reading:

The Colour Monster – focusing on zones of regulation and how to recognise and manage different types of feelings.



The Friendship Bench – Beginning to look at making inferences, different story settings, characters, story retelling and sequencing.



Amazing – Looking at the purpose of speech marks and beginning to write simple cvc words.



Reception Highlights:

Understanding the World: We have been talking about ourselves, family and familiar people as part of our 'All about me' topic. We have discussed our likes and dislikes and our favourite things. We have been exploring the natural world around us and noticing the effect of the new season on our surroundings.

Expressive Arts and Design: We have created self-portraits using a range of medias. We have also had the opportunity to choose to create our own masterpieces using a variety of craft, natural and recycled materials.

Physical Development: We have thoroughly enjoyed our weekly Gymnastics sessions with a specialist coach from Gymfinity! We have focussed on lots of gross and fine motor activities to develop our core muscles such as den building, riding trikes and scooters, mark making using different medias and weekly yoga sessions. Since the start of Reception, we have had a huge focus on personal and self-care skills, supporting the children to toilet themselves and wash and dry their hands frequently and independently.

Phonics

In phonics we have made a strong start in recognising initial sounds using our Read, Write, Inc. Programme. We have enjoyed our daily 'Fred games', learning to orally blend sounds into words. Our focus this half term has been to practise reading and writing their names!

Mathematics

In Maths we have been busy learning new routines, times of the day and positional language. We have been matching, sorting, comparing amounts, comparing size, mass and capacity and exploring patterns.

What's coming up....

Stay and Sing (Nursery Rhyme Week) - 14th November 2.30pm. (All are welcome)

Parents Evening: 19th / 20th November.

Visit to The Storybarn: 1st December for Reception children.

EYFS Stay and Pray: 4th December 2.45pm. (All are welcome)

