



Indoor Learning

March gave us the opportunity to celebrate World Book Day. Children took part in various experiences relating to books, characters and learned about Authors and Illustrators roles. They took on the roles of Authors and Illustrators by creating their own stories and sharing these stories with each other.

The children showed an interest in rainbows and creating rainbow designs by using a variety of resources such as paints, crayons and mark making materials. They demonstrated a good knowledge of what weathers are needed to create a rainbow. Partaking in science experiment was a very popular experience with children developing their prediction and problem solving skills as well as resilience. Children had to retry the experiment as it wasn't successful on the first attempt.

Mathematical skills have been developed through an adult initiated experience where children were to match the 3D shape to a 2D outline, the children then carried this into their play experiences.

A variety of Easter experiences took place within the ECC playroom with arts and crafts, ICT opportunities, playdough and stories.

The children have been very interested in the Story "We're Going On A Bear Hunt". They have explored this in various ways, reading and recalling the story, discussing this with peers, exploring characters then they took their interest outdoors to create their own real life Bear Hunt.

Sharing Our Learning

March / April 2022

Skills for life

- The children are now serving themselves during lunch time. They are being encouraged to choose appropriate sized portions are a good balance of foods on their plate.
- The children are now fully engaged in tooth brushing daily. They follow the dry tooth brushing model from Child Smile. More information can be found by accessing the link below: <http://www.child-smile.org.uk/professionals/childsmile-core/nursery-toothbrushing-models.aspx>
- The children demonstrated their knowledge of what is needed to in look after and care for babies through role play.

ECC and Home Links for Learning

We had a great response to both hoe learning experiences sent home during March and April.

The outdoor Scavenger hunt made a wonderful display in the ECC corridor and has been a great tool to prompt discussion with children about their experiences at home.

The Easter egg creations were fantastic to see, the children all worked very hard to make unique and interesting creations.

Thank you for taking the time to join in with our home link experiences. It is very much appreciated by all staff.

Home Learning Ideas

- Communication and language Home link will follow in May.
- Beginning to discuss transitions and changes that will happen as your child moves to Primary 1, a new centre or returning to the Centre after the summer holidays will benefit and help to prepare the children for changes that will occur. School Transition visits will take place throughout May.



Outdoor Learning

Over the period of the last 2 months the children have been keen to take their experiences from inside outside to further develop their experiences. This has been relevant to the Rainbow learning, Goldilocks and the 3 Bears, caring for babies and The Bear Hunt.

The children have been very interested in large ring games and have worked collaboratively together to partake in these games in the school playground and garden. They have been turn taking and celebrating each other's successes. These have been valuable experiences to develop resilience skills.

Opportunities to crate Dens through loose parts and tarpaulins have enabled the children to develop their problem solving skills and risk management skills.

The children have created valuable links within the community through random acts of kindness. They shared their desire to make people feel happy and created a unique and kind way of achieving this in the Village. They took part in a local walk and hid Daffodils at key areas in the community. The children achieved a real sense of happiness from this event, especially when a member of the community delivered a Thank You card to the centre.

Local businesses donated Easter eggs allowing for an Easter egg hunt in the garden which the children really enjoyed taking part in - some parents did report the Eggs magically vanished as soon as the children got them out of the centre!



