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| Monday22.4.2024 | STEAM Month – This is our Maths focus weekAM: P.E with Mrs Mack. The children will have opportunities to participate in races and various obstacle courses.PM: Music - Together Time with Mrs Buchanan |
| Tuesday23.4.2024 | PM: Rights Respecting Schools – Together Time with Miss McGowan |
| Wednesday24.4.2024 | PM: BSL – Together Time with Mrs Mack |
| Thursday25.4.2024 | PM: Yoga and Mindfulness – Together Time with Mrs Taylor |
| Friday26.4.2024 | PM: Song Time – Together Time with Mrs Marshall |
| **Reflections:** * In the Art area, the children have shown an interest in witches and wizards. To further develop this interest, the children used different materials to make wands. They made wands from paper straws and decorated using various collage materials. This encouraged lots of problem solving, as the children worked out that they needed to use several straws to ensure their wands were strong and did not bend.
* During Mini Forest, the children collected sticks to make wands. They enjoyed painting and adding glitter to their sticks to make their fabulous wands, which they used to cast spells.
* The children took part in several potion making experiences. They used various resources to make potions, including; water, lentils, oats, rice, vanilla essence and various colourings. The children also made fizzy potions from bicarbonate of soda and vinegar.
* At the malleable table, the children were provided with playdough, fresh herbs and flowers. This was very popular, and the children worked collaboratively to make cakes and pizzas from the resources. There was a lot of discussion about what each child was making, and this led to some beautiful role play from the children. The children were also provided with some playdough that had been mixed with some mixed spice. The children discussed the smell of the playdough, with many of them saying it smelt like gingerbread. This led to several children making gingerbread men from the playdough, and using dough and loose parts, to make the gingerbread man’s eyes, mouth and buttons.
* At Cooking and Baking, the children made flapjacks and scones, both of which tasted beautiful. Both of these recipes encouraged a lot of counting and measuring, which the children were supported with.
* In the Maths area, the children have been practising one to one correspondence and simple addition, from numbers 1-10, as they made caterpillars by adding the correct amount of counters to the numeral that was beside the caterpillars face. They have also taken part in symmetry experiences, as they made butterflies. We discussed how many spots were on one side of the butterfly’s wing, and the children added counters of the same amount, and put them in the same position, to ensure the butterfly’s wings were symmetrical.
* Outdoors, the children requested to go to the playground, to make rainbows. It was very rainy on Monday, and the children were keen to mix paint in the puddles to create their rainbows. Once they had finished making rainbows, they discovered if they stood in the puddles, they could create colourful footprints. There was much excitement, as they stomped around the playground, leaving colourful footprints behind them.
* Much to our delight, we had some wonderful sunshine last week. The children enjoyed having the large bean bags out to lie on, and read their books. The children were provided with books about minibeasts, which they were very interested in.
* The children were provided with minibeast toys, which they looked at using magnifying glasses. They then matched the various minibeasts to the pictures in the different books they had.
* The children also explored symmetry outdoors, as they made ladybird pictures. They created their pictures by counting out the legs they needed and sticking them onto their paper, and then they stamped the amount of spots they wanted their ladybird to have, ensuring that the ladybirds had the same amount of spots on each wing, and that these were symmetrical.
* The children have been spending a lot of time in the playground, where they have been enjoying taking turns on the balance bikes, trikes and scooters. The children are doing exceptionally well going these, and are showing excellent skills at moving around the playground safely.
* Having the opportunity to go the balance bikes, trikes and scooters, has encouraged much discussion around road safety, and they children have been participating in role play incorporating people who help us. These interests with be further developed next week.
* The children have also enjoyed drawing with large chalk in the playground and have been keen to share their drawings with staff and each other.
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| **Any Other Information** * As we have **P.E** every Monday, please dress your child in trainers and clothes suitable for exercise. This will enable your child to be able to move comfortably and will support health and safety and wellbeing in the gym hall.
* Our Lending Library will be on a Tuesday morning. Please can you return your child’s library book on a Monday morning to allow your child to choose a new book. Remember to find a little time in your busy week to curl up together and enjoy the story!
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