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# Nursery Newsflash!



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## Play and Learning in the Nursery

Thank you for your donations of metallic/ reflective objects; you may be wondering what we have been getting up to with them!

Looking in mirrors has played a big part in learning. We have been thinking about what our faces look like when we feel different emotions. We have been encouraged to link this to what characters may feel like in certain situations and develop empathy towards them.

Mirrors have also allowed the children to explore symmetry. This has also led to some play and learning involving patterns and shapes.

The variety of objects has also led to categorising and sorting objects; mainly focusing on shape and colour.

Moving forward, we will be thinking about different materials used to make objects as another way of sorting.

## Ideas for Play and Learning at Home

- Drawing self portraits using a mirror
- Making patterns using toys/ food items
- Looking for reflections in puddles when out and about

## Lunches

It is fantastic to see so many children serving themselves, temperature of food allowing, and clearing their plates, cutlery and cups away after eating. This could be something they also practise at home!

Please remember that the lunch menu will be changing next week. This can be found on our notice board or on the ERC website.

Sehba and Sarah-Jane hosted our first ever virtual induction for children and families who are yet to join our nursery. I think it is fair to say the Enormous Turnip will be a stout favourite in time to come!

## Learning Journals

We are currently getting the children's learning journals ready to send home over the October holiday. Unfortunately, some of the children's learning journals haven't been returned. We will not be able to send out learning journals that are returned after Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October. Please return your child's journal prior to this date to ensure we can share their learning with you in this special way.



# A Look at our Learning



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