

**Our Values**  
**Respect, Kindness,**  
**Resilience, Integrity,**  
**Honesty and Trust**



## Our Rules

- Do our best
- Be respectful
- Be safe
- Be kind
- Be ready

## Reception Class's Newsletter Autumn 2

Focus books this half term...

In Reception, we read the story Stuck in the Mud. We enjoyed listening to and re-telling the story using a story map, which helped us understand what happens on a farm. We also learned how bread is made and identified the ingredients needed to make our own bread. Through our learning, we discovered how teamwork on a farm helps people work together and build friendships.



### Phonics

In Phonics, we continued learning our Phase 2 sounds. We have started to segment and blend sounds to read words. We have also been practising correct letter formation.

### Road safety

We learnt how to keep ourselves safe when crossing the road. We had a special visitor who led a workshop and taught us how to stay safe near roads.



### Dental Hygiene

We explored the importance of keeping our teeth healthy. We learnt how to brush our teeth properly and how often we should brush them.



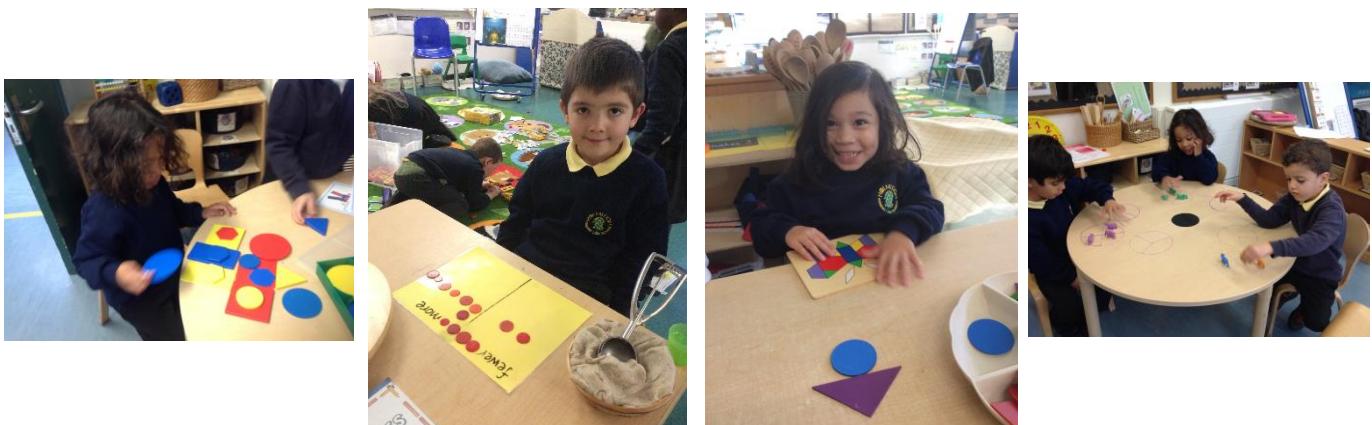
### Materials

We explored different materials by sorting and identifying them. We tested materials to see if they were waterproof or not waterproof..



## Maths

In Maths this half term, we have been focusing on subitising and learning about shapes, specifically circles and triangles. The children have been developing their ability to instantly recall small numbers without counting on their fingers. We also investigated shapes in our environment, learning to identify and name objects that are circles or triangles.



## Expressive art and design- Alma Thomas

The children carried on developing their interests in using different materials to become artists. We learned how Alma created abstract art to express her sense of movement and rhythm.



## Science Week

For Science Week, we planted cress seeds and talked about what plants need to grow. We watered our seeds and monitored them carefully. We observed the changes and watched our cress grow.



## Christmas

In Reception, we learned the story of Christmas and explored how and why it is celebrated. The children thoroughly enjoyed singing Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer for our Christmas carol concert. We finished the term with a Christmas party, which was loved by all. Thank you for your kind contributions and continued support.

