



## Photo Day Success

The children were all amazing going to get their photograph taken. We are really proud of how well they behaved and how sensibly they walked to and from the hall. All of the children should have taken a slip home so that you can see your child's photograph.

## Literacy

This week, we have read 'The Colour Monster Goes to School.' The children learnt that the Colour Monster was nervous about starting school so they drew pictures of the activities that the Colour Monster could do in school to make him feel better. The children have been discussing what the Colour Monster could take in his backpack and have been answering Blank Level Questions about an illustration from the book. We completed a book review about the story.

## Maths

We have explored 5 frames and have been learning how to subitise an amount without having to count. The children have been using Rekenreks to show a given amount and have been exploring number bonds for numbers 2 to 4. We looked at tetrominoes (shapes made up of 4 squares in different arrangements) and have been using magnetic squares to make our own tetromino.

## Read Write Inc. (Phonics)

This week, we have learnt the sounds: i, n, p & g. We have been practising forming these letters as well. Please help your child to reinforce learning at home by watching the videos that we post on SeeSaw.



## Understanding the World (People, cultures and communities)

The children were shown an aerial photograph of our school and were asked to identify features of the local area. They could identify fields, roads, paths, a car park, houses etc. The children watched a video of a drone taking off in the playground so that they could understand how the photograph was taken. We then found our school from space using Google Earth. This lesson prompted lots of discussion about our local area.

## Expressive Arts & Design

The children have been creating leaf rubbings using crayons. They explored different shapes, patterns and colours and produced some really effective pieces of art work using natural resources.

## Understanding the World (The Natural World)

This week, we discussed what we know about Autumn. The children watched a video about Autumn and were then encouraged to find signs of Autumn in our outdoor area. The children found lots of leaves on the ground and had noticed that the leaves had changed colour.

## Reminders:

- Early Number workshop- Thank you to those that attended. I have shared the presentation and YouTube link for you if you could not attend the session.
- Read Write Inc parent workshop- Wednesday 2nd October 9am (Large hall).
- This will be the last paper newsletter we send out. Going forward, we will post the newsletter on SeeSaw so please ensure that you are set up on SeeSaw so that you can keep up to date with your child's learning. Thank you.

Thank you for your support! Mrs O'Keeffe & Miss Dutton  
Miss McGrath, Miss Glascott & Miss Ryan