



Personal, social & emotional development

This week, we looked at different facial expressions and guessed the emotions. We talked about the way our faces change when we are feeling a different emotion. For example, when we are angry, our eyebrows might frown and our mouths may close tightly together. When we are happy, our eyebrows are raised and we have a smile. The children used mirrors to look at their faces when they were showing a different emotion.

Literacy

This week, we have been reading a new book called, 'What's in the Witch's Kitchen.' The children have loved this story! We have been learning about words that rhyme and worked together to match rhyming words from the book. The children were also introduced to Colourful Semantics to identify 'who' and 'where' in the story. We have also used the green screen to record the children retelling the story of 'Room on the Broom.' They have done amazing and have worked so hard to remember the story.

Maths

In Maths this week, we have been learning about 5, plus more. For example, 6 would be 5 plus 1 more; 7 would be 5 plus 2 more; 8 would be 5 plus 3 more etc. We explored lots of different ways to make these amounts (on our fingers, building it using cubes, showing it on a ten frame, drawing it, writing it etc). Excellent Maths work this week.

Read Write Inc. (Phonics)

This week, we have practised going into our new Read Write Inc groups. The children will be recapping different sounds in each group and will be learning new sounds as well. Please make use of the Read Write Inc resources that are shared on SeeSaw. We will continue to add 'Learning to Blend' videos and Fred Games for your child to access at home.

Understanding the World (Past & present)

We have been learning about the different stages of the human life cycle and have been discussing the ways that we grow and change as we get older. The children learnt about the stages of the life cycle (baby, toddler, child, teenager, adult & elderly). They tried to sequence the human life cycle in the correct order, starting with baby.

Expressive Arts & Design

On Friday, we had a whole school arts day. The artist that we focused on was Frida Kahlo. The children learnt about this artists and designed their own Build-A-Bear in the style of Frida Kahlo. The children have also been doing lots of Halloween style crafts.

Understanding the World (People, places and communities)

This week, the children have looked at an aerial photograph of our school and surrounding area. They spoke about the features that they could see (fields, car park, paths, roads, houses etc). The children then drew their own map of the area.

Reminders & Notices

- Happy half term! We hope you all have a lovely break. We will see you all back in school on Monday 4th November.
- Snack money- £1 a week or £7 for the term. Thank you.
- Labels- please ensure all of your child's jumpers/ cardigans have their name written in.
- Thank you for the effort you made for 'Scary Hair Day,' the children loved it!

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