

Summer Term in Reception

Learning through exploring and experiences



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What have we been learning in Reception in Spring?



In the second half of spring term we celebrated Shrove Tuesday. We made our own pancakes and wrote a shopping list so the teachers didn't forget what we needed! We got a bit messy writing in flour but it was a lot of fun!



After Shrove Tuesday we began reading stories about Superheroes. The evil pea from Supertato left us some challenges, but we saved the day!



The superhero headquarters was busy with different emergencies and bad guys for our heroes to challenge.





For Red Nose Day, we made our own red nose biscuits and thought about the ways we can help other people.



They didn't take long to grow in our warm classroom. Miss Patterson watered them every day!



We learned about what plants need to grow and planted our own beans. After reading Jack and the Beanstalk we decided we needed a castle for the beanstalk to grow up to!



We learned some ball skills with Mr Graham, it was tricky controlling the ball so that it went around the cones!



Now the weather is getting warmer we can go outside more. We love getting the water to help the plants grow and use our imaginations when we are building.



We went searching for signs of spring to check if winter was gone! There were lots of flowers and some frogspawn in the pond.

We thought about superhero hideouts and the kinds of places they could hide. We made our own on field day for superheroes in disguise,

We thought about making patterns and what symmetrical means. We had a try at using mirrors to make our own symmetrical patterns.



In maths we have been looking at measuring and are very good at noticing if something is balanced on the scales.



Summer



We are still working hard on our writing and we are getting much more confident using our phonics to help us write independently.

We are learning all about Space this half term and have read the story of Whatever Next. We created our own planets for Baby Bear to visit.



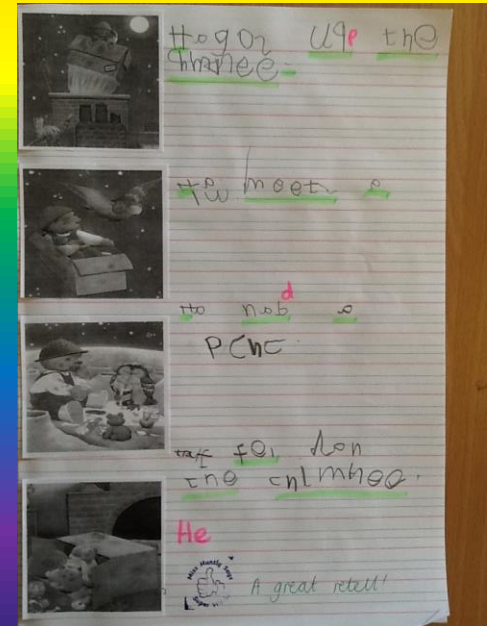
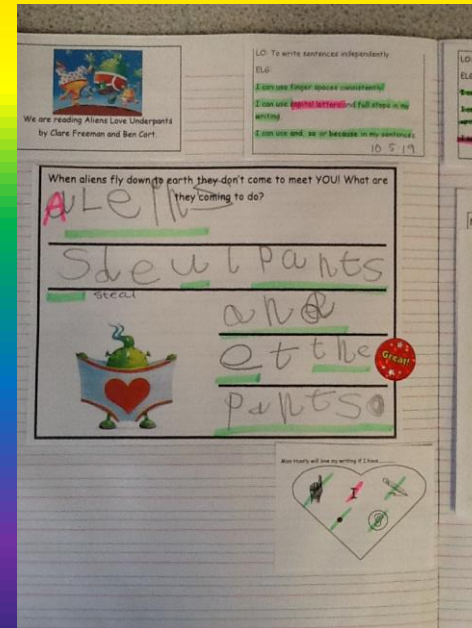
We used shaving foam and paint to create a swirly pattern like we had seen when looking at the planets on the big screen!



We have also been doing a lot of reading of real and silly alien words!



Our story at the moment is Aliens Love Underpants, we are doing lots of writing about the story and have created our own aliens too!



CLIC Maths

- A quick fire maths session for 15 minutes every day
- Repetition of specific mathematical facts starting with number recognition, counting, doubling and halving to multiplication tables
- Focus on rapid recall of number facts which help with mental maths as they progress through school
- Assessed every three weeks and children will only move to the next group if and when they are ready.
- CLIC homework, some groups will get this which is the same each time until they move to a new group.

Flashcards

Please don't worry about flashcards! These are words that children cannot sound out using their phonics, so if they are finding them difficult this is ok.

Using small pieces of paper, write the words out twice and play a matching game.

Break up the sets of cards and mix 2 or 3 ones they are not familiar with 6 or 7 that they know.

Stick the words around the house and have a word hunt

Make it as fun as you can, unfortunately the children just need to learn them by looking at them!



General Information

- COLA: Friday 24th May!
- Water bottles in school every day please
- Reading books are changed on Fridays
- PE: Every Tuesday but every day is best
- Field Day will start again next half term after we have finished swimming.