

YEAR ONE Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

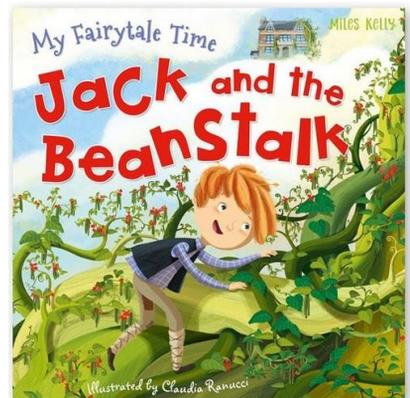
Maths

Our learning in maths this week has been focused on comparing numbers. We revisited the greater than, less than and equals symbols to compare numbers and groups of objects. We have also been ordering numbers to 20 from smallest to greatest and greatest to smallest. Here is a link to a game that the children are familiar with for ordering numbers:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/ordering-and-sequencing/caterpillar-ordering>

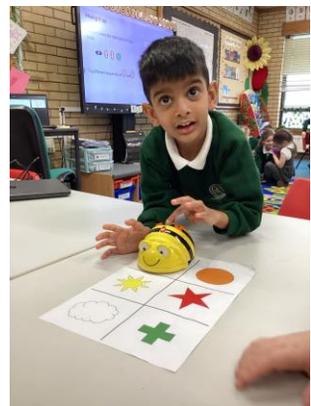
English

This week, we opened the magic tin and discovered 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We have enjoyed reading this story and the children have joined in well with the familiar phrases. The children have been writing descriptions of the Giant and the Giant's castle using adjectives and similes. They have done a super job thinking of ways to describe the Giant using phrases such as 'The Giant is as tall as a mountain', or 'He is as scary as a monster'.



Computing

The children used mats with various shapes as maps to guide their Beebots and Mousebots. Each time they programmed their robots with new instructions, they started from the same shape and predicted the final shape the robot would land on. Year 1 did an excellent job!



PE

In PE the children have been practising different types of jumping. We recapped how to jump safely from two feet to two feet, bending the knees and swinging our arms to help. Then we had a speed bounce challenge where the children had to see how many jumps they could do in 30 seconds and try to improve their own score.

Phonics

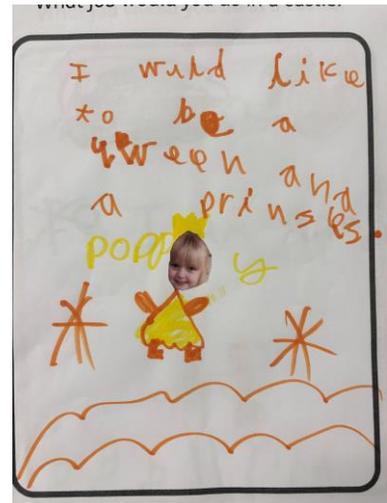
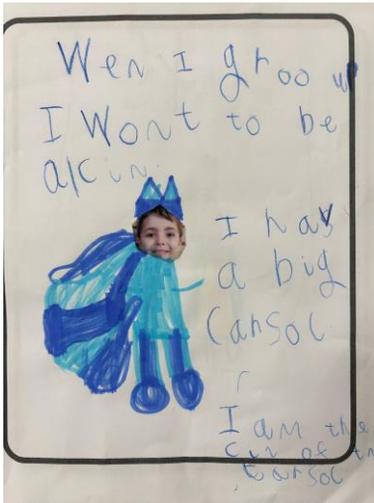
In phonics, we have been recapping previous sounds and learning new sounds 've' (have or solve), 'c' where it makes a 's' sound (city/ice) and 'o' where it makes the 'u' sound (son/honey). A great game to practise at home is Buried Treasure (phase 5): <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/2/buried-treasure>

Science

The children enjoyed naming the different body parts this week in science. We played some guessing games where the children had to describe part of the body to see if we could guess the part they were thinking of. Next week we will be looking at our different senses.

History

We learnt out about some of the jobs that people used to have in Medieval times in castles. We discussed how some jobs, such as cooks and artists, would have been in Medieval times and we still have today. Whereas other jobs have changed as technology has developed. The children seemed quite relieved that 'Gong farmers' don't exist anymore! One of our Rainbow Challenges this week was to draw their selves as the job they would like to do in a castle and unsurprisingly, we had lots of Kings and Queens!



Religious Education

This week, we discussed how Christians can have peace with their selves, with each other and with God. The children shared what they like to do when they want to be peaceful and designed a peaceful area for the classroom.

Woodland Learning

Unfortunately our Woodland Learning session this week was cancelled due to the windy weather. We usually go out in all weathers, but where there is a risk of branches falling on the children, our priority is keeping the children safe.

We have rescheduled the session that we missed, so we will be going out to Woodland Learning on **Monday 3rd February**. Please can the children arrive in their Woodland Learning clothes. We will still also have our session on Wednesday 12th February. Thank you for your understanding.

Spellings

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Hope you have a lovely weekend,
Mrs Mockler, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Glennon