

Friday 27th April 2018

Dear Parents,

Butterflies

This week, we shared a factual book about butterflies and focussed our discussions on the symmetry and pattern of the wings, following on from the children's huge interest in this. The children created fantastic symmetrical patterns using a variety of construction materials and used watercolours to create beautiful butterfly wing paintings. The children



have also developed interesting narratives in our role-play areas and enjoyed dressing up in costumes/props. They have been striving to write descriptive sentences about butterflies and even written about the items they have bought at the market on the large chalk board. On Tuesday, the children baked wonderful biscuits!



Physical Development

In PE, the children are learning to negotiate space successfully, adjusting their speed or changing direction and kick a ball towards a target. They have worked in pairs and small groups to pass the ball demonstrating good control and co-ordination.



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Mathematical Development

In Maths, we are learning to solve problems by doubling SO THAT we can work out how many spots the butterfly has altogether. The children have enjoyed using the mirrors to double numbers and order the butterflies from 2-20. They have been recording their doubling in a number sentence.



Reading & Phonics

Thank you so much to all of you that were able to make the 'Phonics in action' workshop yesterday. We hope you found it helpful seeing our teaching methods in action so that you can use some handy tips from this when listening and supporting your child at home. Please allow your child the opportunity to read every night. Little and often really helps our children to develop their confidence and a love of reading!

Please can we also encourage you to go over your children's action words regularly? Not only reading them but asking your child to spell them. We will be really focusing on our children being able to read and write all of their action words this term.

Many thanks for your continuing support and have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Burrows, Mrs Sellars and Mrs Ward.

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