



# Hedgehog class's weekly newsletter



## What have we been learning this week?

In Hedgehog class this week, we have been very busy. The children have been taking part in developing the role play area into a castle. We discussed what a castle may look like inside and throughout the week the children have been dancing in the ballroom, feasting in the dining room and serving food to the King and Queen.

English – This week the children have continued their learning about traditional tales. Year 1 and 2 children have created a whole class story map, with actions to help remind us of the story. The children ended the week by drawing their own story map. Reception children have been exploring the season of winter and writing words associated to the season.

Maths – Year 1 and 2 children have continued their learning of measuring length and height. We ended the week with a measuring investigation. The children chose their own objects to measure and the unit of measure to use to measure their objects with. Reception children used bean bags to represent different ways to represent the number 5.

Science – This week we have been continuing our learning of 'identifying materials'. The children investigated which objects were bendy and not bendy. We had a class discussion about how you could have the same object but made from different materials.

History – We continued our topic of castles. The children worked in groups to label images of Edinburgh castle and Warwick castle, of the physical and human features that they could see in the pictures.

Art – The children continued their topic of printing. This week the children used a negative stencil to print on top, using paint, to create a negative print. The children used primary colours to create their artwork.

R.E. – We started our new topic of 'How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful?'. We discussed what compassion means. The children then listened to two different stories about how Muhammad encourages Muslims to be compassionate.

## Reminders

- P.E. kits need to be in school.
- Forest school **will not** take place for Hedgehog class next week. It is Squirrel class's turn.
- Library books will be changed every **Thursday and/or Friday**. Every child needs to ensure they have their library book in school on these days. All children were given a new library book today.
- When reading with your child, please ensure you are filling the diary out as it is titled in their diary. RWI (phonics book) on the left-hand pages and love of reading (library book or any other books they read at home on the right-hand side).

## Miss Burroughs's idea of the week

History – Can you research about castles in the United Kingdom? You could label the castle with the physical and human features. You could write a fact sheet about what you have found out.

Science – Can you find objects around your house that are made from 2 or more materials? You could challenge yourself by explaining if the materials are human made or natural?

English – Can you retell the story of Goldilocks and the three bears? Year 1 and 2 – Can you perform the story to your family using the actions? Reception children – Can you describe what Goldilocks looks like?

Certificates this week were awarded to:

Ruby – Pupil of the week. Albert – Achievement certificate.