

Learning Journal 25.9.15

This week...We have been learning about seeds. We collected lots of seeds at the churchyard and looked at how they dispersed away from the plant. We found lots and lots of different kinds of seeds and brought them back to school to investigate further. The children drew some fantastic pictures in their writing books. We have also been learning how to open a programme on the lap top and have been using the iPad to take photos. Our playhouse looked very empty so we painted lovely pictures for the walls and we made some paper mache bowls for the castle. A busy week!!!



Our seed collections.



Literacy and Phonics

Our new sounds are i, n and p and we have been writing them on our whiteboards to practice. We also write them on each other's backs and in the air, which is always funny!

Mathematics

In maths we have been finding and recognising shapes. We focussed on circles, squares, rectangles and triangles but we did discuss hexagons too. Ask your child if they can remember their shape songs as we sing special songs about our shapes.

Other News....

Our Woodland Workshop was really exciting this week as we had seats and we made a roof in case it rained. It was quite chilly in the shade so warm clothes would be useful on a Thursday.

The Gazette photographer also came to photograph the new Reception children so look out for the picture.

We started to prepare for Harvest Festival this week, which is on 9th October in Ellingham Church at 6pm. The children always love showing you what they have been learning and it is good to get together with all members of our school family.



Help at Home.....ask your child if they can find any of our special shapes in the home and if they can, ask them how they know it is that shape. They should be able to tell you about straight and curved sides, how many corners and how many sides. Maths contains a lot of important language and these are vital words to be able to use and understand.



Here are some more lovely pictures of your children having lots of fun at school. They have settled in really well and are learning and working very hard. We are really enjoying working with them.

Next Week.....

Tuesday is Toasty Tuesday. The children can bring 30p for a slice of toast at break time, with butter, jam or marmite. Please discuss with your child which of these they like before they come to school as they sometimes get a little confused.

Thursday 1st October we are getting a bus into Alnwick to visit the Bullfield Community Orchard, which is a project growing fruit and herbs for the community to use. We are going to have a tree treasure hunt and harvest and cook some of the fruit. Children need to be in sensible outdoor clothes with their school jumper on.