

Emerald News

We have had a busy two weeks. Covering all different areas of the curriculum! We have been writing super sentences using capital letters and full stops to describe Winnie and Wilbur. The children tried really hard to use their phonic sounds.

In our Jigsaw PSHE sessions we talked about relationships and how families are different. The children discussed who their special person was in their families and why they are special to them.

Jigsaw – Jigsaw is a mindfulness PSHE scheme we use throughout all the years in the school which covers a range of topics in each term including relationships, celebrating difference, dreams and goals, healthy me, and changes. Each year group has a cuddly puzzle piece to help with discussions and comfort. Ours is called Jigsaw Jack who also has a friend called Jerrie Paws the cat who helps us to 'pause' in discussions to think about what we are thinking about.



We also use a chime to help us to calm and relax during our discussions. This is used throughout the day if we just need a calming moment of mindfulness.



In art we looked carefully at Korky Paul's illustrations in the Winnie the Witch books and the children shared their thoughts on them and asked questions about the illustrations. The children explored using pressure with their pencil to create lighter and darker shades.

In science we have started exploring different animal groups and the children are great at talking about the features of a bird. Feathers, beak, eggs, two feet and we started discussing warm blooded. Next week we will be exploring a different group of animals.

I our local history discussion we linked drama with the history of Brewers in Wickwar. The children acted out how to make beer in a brewery and why the brewery was important to the high street (brought electric lighting to the high street).

In maths we have really explore place value up to 100 trying to understand that numbers are made up of tens and ones. The children have started to explore showing the numbers in different ways, partitioning, numicon, drawing and writing them.

We have also had a few discussions about some of the things Christians believe, the children have been great at telling each other about Christians. This learning will continue this term to explore deeper into what their beliefs are.

During PE in dance the last couple of weeks they have been learning a ribbon dance focusing on:

- Making different shapes with their bodies
- Draw round and spiky shapes in the air
- Move in different directions and high and low
- Travel rhythmically on feet, hopping and skipping.



Thank you for remembering to put the children's reading books back in their bags. I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Miss Tyler 🕲