



Friday 15th February 2019.

Dear Parents,

JCA Puppet theatre



This week, the children have been focussing on re-telling familiar stories such as 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers and developing their own narratives in our 'JCA puppet theatre' using stick puppet characters. The children have also written their own scripts, designed props and created stick puppets to use with their friends in the puppet theatre. Some of our children have also been using the projector in the construction area to share stories and create shadow puppet shows. We thought it was really funny when we used different voices and sounds for each character! On Monday, afternoon we were invited to watch year 5 class perform short drama sketches about the Arctic. We thought they were inspirational! The children have started to introduce some of these

ideas into their own puppet shows and include a moral into their narrative.

Baking

On Tuesday, we created a 'penguin banana' for our afternoon snack. The children thought the frozen cut bananas tasted delicious dipped in chocolate and they had lots of fun adding the penguin's features.



Observational Drawings

We made the most of a lovely sunny day on Wednesday to observe, draw and paint the yellow and purple flowers that the children spotted growing in our wild garden area. We looked very closely at the shape of the petals and the stems. Next term, we will be observing animals and plants in detail and creating further observational drawings and art work.

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Literacy

Throughout the week, we have concentrated on reading and writing our Action words. Please refer to the assessment sheet attached to the back of your child's blue Action word book to further support your child at home and also complete the homework sheet and games linked to each set of Action words (1.1-1.9). This really does make a huge impact on your child's learning and progress throughout the year. All children have a reading book appropriate to their reading level in their folders. The children can't wait to show off their amazing Fred Talk and speedy reading!



Maths

In Maths, we are learning about time so that we can talk about and measure short periods of time. This week, we have used a stop watch as well as star jumps and hops to find out how long it takes our friends to build a tower of 6 wooden blocks! We have also talked about what time we get up, go to School and have lunch/dinner and set the teaching clocks to the correct time.

Have a fantastic half term holiday,

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Burrows, Mrs Sellars, Mrs Ward, Mrs Smith and Mrs Rex

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