

# Peek at the Week

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December



We have had a busy week in Waveney class. Our focus story this week was 'Stick Man'. We read it together and thought about the characters' feelings. We looked at photographs of local places and the illustrations in the book, and described what we could see/might hear, or the things that could happen there. We also created our own family trees. We made Stick Men using twigs, and dressed them in scarves, shoes and hats. We used the internet to find different uses for a stick and wrote our favourite idea. In groups, we talked about the different places that Stick Man visits throughout the story, including the park, river, town and coast. We looked at the painting Garrowby Hill by David Hockney and used watercolours to paint our own countryside scenes. We enjoyed watching the Stick Man film on Friday – some of us remembered the story words and joined in.



In maths we investigated the number 11. We used a 'part, part, whole' model to find different ways of making 11, and wrote number sentences to go with it. We also used this knowledge to find different ways of cutting 11cm strips into two pieces. We looked at different sized sticks and talked about their length, using the vocabulary 'short, shorter, shortest' and 'long, longer, longest'. Some of us used the tape measures and rulers to measure them and compare sizes, too. We used sticks to investigate what happens to amounts when we take away and used the language of subtraction.

In PE, we practised balancing bean bags on different parts of our bodies, whilst moving in different ways. We also worked in partners to develop our throwing and catching skills.

We have continued to work on Phase 2 Phonics, learning to recognise and write **ff**, **ll**, **ss**. We read and wrote some words containing those letters as well as the sounds we already know.

**Please note** Following a discussion with Mr Taylor, in Waveney class we will not be using Google Classrooms, but will just use Tapestry to record children's work, alongside our Class 'busy books'. We will continue to put home learning on Peek at the Week and will comment on the children's home learning on Tapestry. Thank you to those parents who are adding items to Tapestry regularly – it does help us to build an overall picture of your child's learning in Early Years.

**Also** in order to be able to put cards aside before sending them home, the last day for bringing in Christmas cards is Monday. This is our last Peek at the Week of 2020, so would like to wish you all a happy Christmas and look forward to welcoming the children back in the new year.

## Reading Stars



Well done!

Gold Henry



Well done to **Jessie** who is Waveney Class's Star of the week! She has done lots of lovely activities and has been a kind friend.

## Home Learning

**Nursery** Make a Christmas decoration for your Christmas tree using salt dough, play dough or natural materials. Talk about how you made it.

**Reception** See attached sheet about winter walks and treasure hunt

**Year 1/2** Make some ice cubes. Place them in dishes and put the dishes in different places inside and outside. Check on them regularly. Write down the order that they melted and say why.