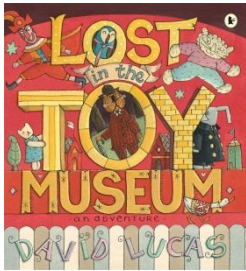


Friday 3rd December



This week we have been focussing our learning on old toys. Our theme story has been *Lost in the Toy Museum* by David Lucas. We looked at pictures of old toys and compared them with our own toys. We also looked at some of our teachers' toys. Some of them were very old! Several children asked their parents and grandparents about the toys they had when they were little and looked at photographs of them. We looked at a dolls' house and talked about items that we would see in each room. Then we made little dolls by using a range of materials and techniques. We enjoyed playing with finger puppets and making up stories. We also made fantastic finger puppets of our own. We also enjoyed making marble runs and exploring magnetic toys, sorting items according to whether they were magnetic.



We looked at a model made using the *Small Shipbuilding Game* pieces by Alma Siedhoff-Buscher and were inspired to use the same number of coloured blocks to build our own models. Then we used a tablet to photograph our model by pressing the touch screen buttons.



In **Maths** we have been practising counting toys and matching them to the number. We also counted pictures of toys and wrote the numbers. We shared amounts of teddies between two people, and we learnt about hemispheres, which is half a sphere.

In **Phonics**, this week's sounds were **h b f l** and we have been writing the graphemes and reading and writing words and phrases containing those sounds. We read the words as messages in bottles too.

Forest Schools The children had great fun making doing lots of activities, including making bows and arrows from willow and string.

The **Nursery** children also did some beautiful paintings of their toys.



Thank You for sending in the photos of yourselves as children with your favourite toys. The children enjoyed looking at them and talking about them. There is still time to do this if you are able to.

Please Note We have begun learning the songs for the Nativity play and have allocated parts and costumes. This will be filmed and put on Tapestry during the last week of term.

We will be singing the first two verses of Little Donkey and Away in a Manger. If you would like to practise at home, here are some links.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VJaxa9kF7to> (to 1 min 25)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9CJFt7BZKUU> (to 1 min 31)

★ THIS WEEK'S ★

READING STARS

Bronze

Lyla

Page Turner 10 books

Grace

Ace Reader 30 books

Darlie

WELL DONE!



Well done to **Lucas** who is Waveney Class's Star of the week! He has worked really hard on learning to write his name and can now write it independently. Well done, Lucas!

Home Learning

- Nursery** Make a Christmas shopping list by cutting out and sticking pictures of things you would like to buy for your family. Can you say what sound each item begins with?
- Reception** Can you make rhyming strings, e.g. red, ted, bed; hat, pat, Cat, rat. Write them using phonic skills.
- Interview your mum, dad or grandparent about what they liked doing when they were children. You could ask them to film it and put the video on Tapestry.

Have a lovely weekend, Waveney Class Team

