



Peek at the Week!

Friday 25th March

In Reception, we have had a lovely week, continuing our learning about growing. Our focus book was *The Growing Story* by Ruth Krauss and Helen Oxenbury. We talked about how we know we are growing and compared it with the boy in the story. We learnt about the 5 main senses – sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch – and used them in many different ways during the week. We also identified and labelled body parts, including the less familiar ones such as neck, ankle, shoulder, wrist.

We watched videos of a chick hatching and a puppy being born. We recreated the life-cycle of a chicken and compared it with how a dog is born and grows. We also looked at photos of different breeds of dogs and recreated them with pastels.



We listened to the song *English Country Garden*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ueXdMbxRhDA> and drew our own garden scenes.

We also looked at the blossom on some of our trees in the outdoor area and finger-painted blossom on to trees.

As it is Mothering Sunday for our mums this weekend, the children listened to the story *My Mum is Fantastic* by Nick Butterworth and we talked about all the amazing things our mums do. We have made lovely cards and gifts for our mums.



In Maths we learnt about 20. We investigated numbers that add up to 20. We measured 20cms using a ruler and drew a tree that is 20cms tall. We practised counting things that cannot be moved - some children counted spots on ladybirds and matched with the correct number to play bingo. Some children worked on dividing amounts in half – and we investigated what happens when there is 1 left over (we cut it in half). We also measured 20grams of sugar and cornflour and compared the amounts.

In Phonics, we have continued to revise some Phase 3 digraphs and have used the words to write sentences. We are learning to read and write CCVC (such as plug) and CVCC words (such as milk) and using them in our sentences. Some children have been revising the single vowel sounds a e i o and u.

In Forest School we made kennels for our log dogs using sticks.

The Nursery children have continued to do activities linked to caterpillars and butterflies. They put caterpillars in order of size and found out lots of facts about minibeasts. They made fruit salad using a variety of fruits. They also used their imaginations to create props for play in the outside area, including these amazing fishing rods.



Our Star of the Week is Barclay. He has worked very hard on lots of activities and compared the birth of a chick with that of a puppy, finding similarities and differences. Well done, Barclay.

PLEASE NOTE Next week we will be learning about how humans grow. Please send in a photo of a parent or grandparent when they were a baby and a current photograph so the children can compare features. Thank you.

★ THIS WEEK'S ★

READING STARS

Gold

Lyla

WELL DONE!

Home Learning

Nursery Go on a minibeasts hunt. How many different kinds can you find?

Reception Use a stopwatch (on phone or online) to time how long it takes to get dressed or undressed. See if you can do it faster the next time. Record by drawing a picture and labelling.

Have a lovely weekend, Waveney Class Team