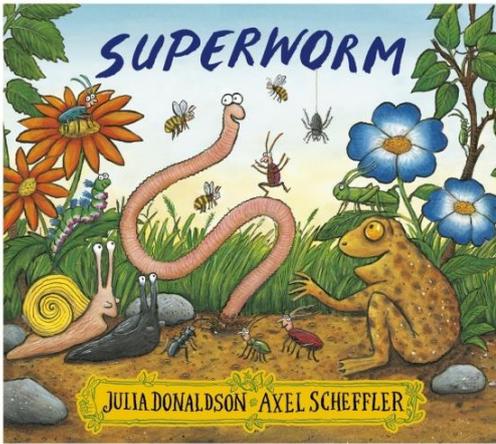


Peek at the Week

Friday 17th March



What a busy week in Waveney Class! Our theme story was Superworm by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler. We read the story and talked about Superworm's cunning plan. We talked about what happened at the beginning and the end. The children recreated the front cover by looking carefully at the image, and they printed with foam stars and moons to make a wizard hat. Some children chose to write a sentence about Superworm too. We talked about real worms and

created a wormery in a large jar.

My Mum is FANTASTIC



Nick Butterworth



As it is Mothering Sunday this Sunday, we read the story My Mum is Fantastic by Nick Butterworth. We learnt facts about why mothers' day is celebrated in this country – it was the day that children in service went to their home or 'mother' church with their families. We made beautiful cards and used pastels to make observational drawings of a vase of flowers in a frame. The Reception children thought of lots of words to describe mums and wrote about their mum, using phonics to spell the words independently.



In Maths Reception have been working on number 20. We counted to 20 in 1s, 2s, 5s, and 10s. We investigated the number and found different ways of making 20. We practised forming numbers correctly with the correct orientation. Here is a helpful video that shows you how.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=66UjzrRg70s>

In Phase 3 Phonics, one group has been learning the digraphs **ear air ure**, reading and writing words and short phrases. The other group has been revisiting **v w x y z**.

Another busy Forest School session! We tidied up the playing field for Mr Taylor. He needed all the wood moving, so we set to work. Theo discovered a beautiful butterfly on one of the logs and he shouted for us all to come and look! What a find, Theo!

The Nursery children have enjoyed sorting bugs and tasting fruits. They have listened for the first letter sound in the name of minibeasts.

Everyone enjoyed going inside the Wonder Dome and looking up at all the planets and stars. "Some of the planets had mini moons around them," Rosa. Thank you so much to FOFSA for funding this for us.



Well done to Lorelai who is this week's star! You have done so much writing, Lorelai, and you did some fantastic counting too. Well done!

Please note! Several parents have asked us for worksheets. It is not good practice in Early Years to use printed sheets, so, other than the Bug Club Phonics practice sheets, we very seldom use any worksheets. Early Years work should be practical with the children using their own ways to record what they have done. We do, however, set weekly home learning tasks, as well as reading. The expectation is that these tasks are completed at some time during the week and a photo/video and comments are uploaded by parents on to Tapestry for the staff to see. We have noted that only a few parents are doing this regularly. In previous years we have found that the children who do these weekly tasks achieve well across the subjects when we assess the Early Learning Goals in June. A few parents have not logged on to Tapestry this year. If you need help, there are lots of parents who can do this confidently who, we are sure, will help you, or come and talk to one of the staff.

HOME LEARNING

- Nursery** Look for numbers when you are out. Can you spot numbers on cars and houses? Can you say what they are? Can you paint some numbers?
- Reception** Can you find out the names of some musical instruments and how they make a sound? If you have an instrument, can you play a tune or a rhythm on it? If you don't have an instrument you could use objects or make one using junk.

Have a lovely weekend! The Early Years Team