

Weekly Learning Letter

Early Years – 23.04.26

<p>This week in Early Years...</p> 	<p>It has been lovely to welcome the children back after half term. On Monday the children walked into the classroom and discovered footprints, a beanstalk, mysterious legs hanging from the ceiling and a giant's castle! The children were so excited and enjoyed discussing who they thought it was and what they had been up to. Our mysterious visitor also left some clues, and we decided that it was a giant. We have thoroughly enjoyed introducing our new topic, 'Castles and Kingdoms'.</p> <p>This week we have also enjoyed sharing photos of our houses and discussed the features and the similarities/differences. We also used an enquiry question to research and find out 'How does where I live compare with other homes and families around the world?' learning about family homes in Kenya and Sweden.</p>
<p>Maths</p> 	<p>In maths this week we have been focussing on measuring and use key vocabulary. After reading Superworm and the Smartest Giant in Town, the children made playdough worms as well as measured and compared scarves and ties to find the longest item for the giant. The giant also needed a new pair of shoes, so we used cubes to measure and compare the length of shoes. We have also measured our height, using wool. We compared our height to the giant, thinking about who was taller/shorter/tallest/shortest.</p>
<p>English</p> 	<p>This week in English we have introduced our new oral text 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' We have learnt the meaning of new vocabulary by acting the words out, using them in sentences and drawing pictures. We have also enjoyed learning the oral text by retelling it with actions and drawing a class scroll. At the end of the week, we focussed on how mum felt when Jack had sold the cow for 5 magic beans and discussed what she might say to Jack. We then wrote a speech bubble.</p>
<p>Phonics</p>	<p>Consolidation of phonemes: ai ee igh oa Teach reading and spelling of phase 3 polysyllabic words Read: we, are Spell: see, no, go</p>
<p>Partnered Reading</p>	<p>Books read this week: Let's Rock, The Bop or Sid's Nits Your child will be able to tell you which book they have read, and you can access these on www.activelearnprimary.co.uk</p>
<p>Reminders</p>	<p>In celebration of World Book Day, please can your child dress as a character from their favourite book on Friday 7th March. If you have a copy of the book at home, we welcome these to be brought in too. Thank you!</p>

To support your child's learning at home this week you could...

- Use cubes, wool, Duplo, Lego to measure objects around your house (remember to line it up!)
- Go for a walk and discuss the homes in your area, what features do they have? How are they similar or different?