



Learning for Life

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Dear all,

This week the children have continued to explore our 'Bears' topic. They have been busy writing tricky words in porridge oats, exploring a range of tools to paint their own bear and identifying the habitats of different types of bears. Next week our topic focus will move onto Teddy Bears. The children are already very excited!

On Tuesday we enjoyed a walk around the village exploring special places. The children worked through a tick list with a friend to help them identify features of special places around the village. It was lovely to hear the children discussing with their friends what they thought made a place special. Please see Tapestry for some photos of this fantastic learning. Our afternoons have also focused on exploring the roles of Kings and Queens. We started by discussing as a class what we think Kings and Queens do. The children shared wonderful ideas such as 'they eat posh food, 'wear heavy crowns' and 'sit on big chairs'! After this we talked about the Royal Family including who they are, where they live and their role in our society. The children have also been busy rehearsing for our class assembly. I am so impressed with how confident they are already; we are very excited to share this with you all at the end of this half term.

In phonics this week we have learnt the sounds or and ur. We have also introduced the children to tricky word 'they'. In maths we have focused on identifying one more and one less. The children's favourite activity this week was certainly singing 5 Current Buns to help us identify one less!

**Parking:** Please help us keep our children safe by not parking in our bus lane at drop off times. We appreciate that mornings can be stressful/busy but the safety of our children should take priority. If the bus cannot access the bus lane appropriately, children are dropped off in the road and the traffic, which is always busy at this time is held up causing difficult conditions for all families. Just a reminder that The Boot is an excellent friend to our school and is happy for parents to park there at drop off time. Everyone's help with this would be appreciated. Thank you!

If there are any questions at all, please come and see us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

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