



Learning for Life

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Dear all,

Another exciting week in Reception has flown by! The children have continued to amaze us this week with their perseverance. Despite the sniffles and tiredness, the children have filled our days with such joy and enthusiasm. Our new Teddy Bears' Picnic roleplay has been very busy, the children have had lots of fun working together to create a wonderful feast for the teddy bears. In our creative area the children have enjoyed using different resources to design their own teddy bears, these have ranged from unicorn teddies to cookie teddies! On Tuesday afternoon we continued our learning exploring special places, this week we focused on why churches are special to some christians. As part of this activity the children recalled our trip to the church for our Harvest Festival. It was lovely to hear the children recall their memories of singing "Flyford songs"! After this the children created their own stained glass window in small groups, I was so impressed with their fantastic designs.

In phonics this week we have learnt the sounds ow and oi. We have also introduced the children to the tricky word 'here'. In maths we have focused on exploring mass and capacity; the children certainly enjoyed choosing objects from around the classroom to compare their weights, using their arms to make a 'human scale'!

**Maths Day:** As mentioned on the whole school newsletter, next Friday (6<sup>th</sup> February) the children are invited to wear a maths themed top to school with their uniform. Please note that the children will be attending Forest School as usual so please can their themed top be worn with their usual Forest School clothing.

**Class Assembly/Teddy Bears' Picnic:** On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February the children will perform their class assembly in the morning. Following this the children will host a Teddy Bears' Picnic! We will be writing invites, designing bunting and of course making our picnic food. Please could the children all bring a teddy to school on this day to be part of our class assembly and picnic. We do have lots of teddies at school if you would prefer for your child to use one of ours. Thank you in advance for your support.

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

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bown

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