

Learning in Reception this week – 21st November 2022 – Whatever Next!

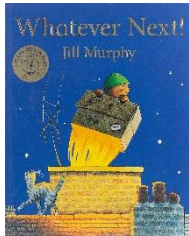


Drawing Club Vocabulary

Each week the children learn new words relating to our theme of the week. They learn an action to help them remember each word. Ask your child about the words we have been learning this week.

- Astronaut
- Gravity
- Space
- Crescent
- Launch
- Soaring
- Colander
- Greet

Watch the story of the week here



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Welly Wednesday

This week the children enjoyed getting muddy this week, we had an **animal cafe** and made all sorts of things to put on our menu, from dirt burgers and mud pies to stick bolognaise and slimy soup. The children then couldn't resist having **lots of fun splashing** and **playing in the puddles**.



Phonics

This week we have learnt the sounds:

nk ai ee igh

We have now learnt all of the Phase 2 phonic sounds and have moved onto Phase 3 which includes digraphs (2 letters that make 1 sound).



Maths

This week we learnt about **number five**. We found things with the number on e.g. 5 fingers, 5 toes, a glove, 5p coin, 5 spots on a dice, a star with 5 points etc.

We watched the 'Off we go' Numberblocks episode and have been practising putting the numbers **0-5 in the correct order**, using the language **first, before, after, last**.

We recapped all the shapes we have learnt so far and discussed their properties – number of sides and corners. We then learnt about a **pentagon**, having **5 sides and corners**.

You can watch the Numberblocks episodes again here...

[Numberblocks - Five](#) [Numberblocks - Off We Go](#)



RE

This week we thought about **birthdays** and why they are special. We shared what we do in our families when someone has a birthday. We learnt that Christmas is a special time for Christians as they **celebrate Jesus' birthday**. We have been busy practising for our Nativity performance and learning about the true meaning of Christmas.



Amazing Artists

This week we learnt more about our new artist for the term – **Wassily Kandinsky**, a Russian Painter. We recapped the **primary colours** – **red, yellow** and **blue** and **secondary colours** – **orange, purple** and **green**. We explored using paint to **print circles** within circles using a variety of materials.



Discovery Detectives (History, Geography, Science)

This week we learnt about **space** and in particular the moon. We learnt about the different **phases of the moon** and learnt the words **whole, half and crescent**. We have learnt the names of the planets in the solar system and some facts about them. We found out about the **British astronaut Tim Peake** and watched videos of astronauts in space doing everyday tasks like having lunch and brushing their teeth, which is very funny with no **gravity** to hold things down!

We also took part in a **space themed yoga** session, you can join in with it again here...

[Cosmic Kids Yoga - Space Picnic](#)



Continue your learning at home

Before going to bed each night, have a look out of the window and try and see the moon. Look carefully to see how it changes. Also, you could try getting creative at home and make your own rocket or spaceship!