

Learning in Reception this week – 30th January 2023 – Fergal is Fuming



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.

- Fuming
- Cooperate
- Ignore
- Temper
- Emotions
- Tranquil
- Fiery
- Fair



Phonics

We have learnt all of the Phase 2 and 3 phonic sounds. We are now reviewing what we have learnt and are practising reading and writing these sounds in words.



Amazing Artists

This week we continued our learning about our artist for the term – **Piet Mondrian**, a Dutch painter. We explored **using rulers** to draw **vertical** and **horizontal** lines across the page in our art books, to create squares and rectangles. We then coloured in the boxes to recreate Mondrian's art piece.



Maths

This week we have been recapping subtraction and that... **'When we subtract/ take away, the number gets smaller.'**

We have been practising using a **tens frames** to find the answers to subtraction questions by placing cubes in each square and then removing them.

We have also been practising making quantities using **Hungarian Die Frames**, which can be used for making numbers, exploring patterns and making links to fingers. Below show ways of making 7, using the die frames. .

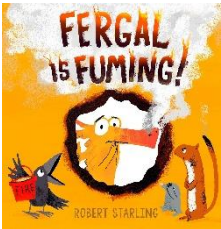


Discovery Detectives (History, Geography, Science)

This week we have talked a lot about our **emotions** and different situations that make us feel different things. We have focussed on **strategies to calm down** when we are cross which has included counting to 10, taking deep breaths and having a cuddle.

The dragon in the story breathed fire and burnt things when he was angry, so we have also discussed **fire safety**, looking at safe and unsafe fires and what to do in a fire. The children enjoyed exploring the resources box from the **local fire station** which included outfits to dress up in, a pop up fire engine, puzzles and books.

Watch the story of the week here



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Welly Wednesday

There was no Welly Wednesday session this week due to the strike. However, the children enjoyed following up from the RSPB's Big Bird Watch by making bird feeders from oranges, lard and bird seed, in our outdoor area.



RE

This week we learnt about another special book. This time it was the **Qur'an**, which is a **sacred book** for **Muslims**. Muslims believe that there is only one God, **Allah**, and the Qur'an is the word of God. We heard the story of **Muhammad's first revelation**, this is when he received a visit from an angel, and he then began to say words which he believed came straight from God.



Continue your learning at home

Fergal learnt strategies to help him **calm down** when he was cross. Talk about **feelings and emotions** at home, what makes you feel happy, sad, cross? Which **strategies** can you use at home when you are feeling angry? What helps you to calm down?