

Learning in Reception this week – 9th October 2023 – The Squirrels who Squabbled



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.

- Squirrel
- Squabbled
- Pinecone
- Friend
- Sprint
- Forest
- Scurried
- Share



Phonics

This week we reviewed all the sounds we have learnt so far...

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Amazing Artists

This week we recapped British animator **Nick Park**. We looked at some more of the characters he has created including **Morph** and enjoyed watching an episode of the Morph animation. We then used playdough and tools to create a **3d playdough head**.



PE

This week we listened to the story of Sammy Squirrel and the rolling nuts. This involved us exploring **ball skills** in the hall. We rolled the balls and practised stopping them with our hands and then practised our throwing and catching.



Maths

This week we learnt about the **number two**. We found things which represent the number 2: 2 spots on a dice, two & 2, Numberblock 2, 2 spots on a domino (1+1, 2+0) a 2p coin, 2 x 1p coins and a pair of socks. We also learnt about a shape with 2 sides – **semi-circle** and learnt that 2 semi-circles make a circle.

We used 2 cubes to explore that “**one and another one makes two**”.

You can watch this week's Numberblocks episodes again here... [Numberblocks - Another One](#) [Numberblocks - Two](#)

We have also been **comparing quantities** using the language of **more, fewer** and **equal**.



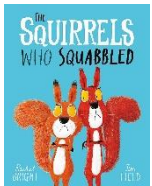
Discovery Detectives (History, Geography, Science)

This week we have been learning about **squirrels** and how they gather nuts and acorns for winter.

We have looked at features of squirrels including their sharp claws, bushy tails, big eyes and having a good sense of smell.

We also discussed **friendship** and the new friends we have made since starting school.

Watch the story of the week here



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Welly Wednesday

This week the children found out about **how trees look** and **what they do through each season**. They split into groups and worked together to hunt for natural resources to create a picture for each season. They showed great creativity and shared their ideas within their groups, using twigs, branches, leaves, grass and flowers.



RE

This week we learnt all about **harvest**. We attended the **harvest festival** with the rest of the school and helped to display the food which the children donated.



Continue your learning at home

Talk to your family about who your **new friends are at school**. Maybe you could make them a picture.