



Friday 30th April 2021

Dear All,

It seems crazy to think that we have reached the end of April already. Time is flying by and it won't be too long before the next step in the release of lockdown when, hopefully, we will be able to relax some of our rules. In the meantime, thank you to everyone for remembering to stay socially distanced on site and for leaving promptly at the start and end of the day. We really do appreciate your help in keeping everyone safe.

It has been lovely to hear, once again, of the positive conversations which have taken place at parents' evenings this week. Thank you to all who 'attended'. As soon as we are able we will supplement these with an opportunity to look at children's books and to see their learning first hand.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs L Watts – Executive Headteacher

This week in class...

Pre-school: Preschool has seen lots of play around shapes this week: naming them, making designs with them and doing puzzles. The children have enjoyed learning a new game 'Noisy Neighbour' and have been able to identify lots of different sounds. We are also supporting the children to identify initial sounds using their names and animals.

Acorn: In class this week the children have been writing their class story 'Monkey See, Monkey Do', taking a short section of the story each. In topic the children have been journeying around Europe, looking at some of the famous landmarks in different countries. They have also been looking carefully at aerial view maps to see what features they can spot. We look forward next week to starting a topic all about growing plants.

Oak: This week in Oak class we have been continuing with our Topic 'Are we free to roam?' We have learnt about 4-digit and 6-digit grid references and about the different features of an ordnance survey map. We also created a map of our own island and plotted physical and human geographical features on it. In Miss Lowe's maths group we have been working hard on decimals, especially adding and subtracting numbers with different decimal amounts. Mrs Watts and Mrs Sacre's group have continued their work on fractions – adding and subtracting. In Grammar we have been focusing on parenthesis - ask the children the rules for this.

Road Safety Mrs Watts has been talking to Oak class about road safety this week. We watched this video together... <https://www.think.gov.uk/resource/expect-the-unexpected/> and talked about the importance of walking safely across roads. Why not watch the video again this weekend and see if the children can remember what they learned!

Preschool We are currently looking at our numbers for September 2021 and places are filling up fast! If you know of anyone who has a child of preschool age and who is interested in securing a place with us, now is a good time to make contact with Tracey, the preschool manager, to arrange a visit.



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