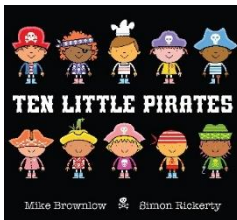


Nursery Peek at the Week

Weekly News

This week in Nursery, we have been reading '10 Little Pirates' by Mike Brownlow and Simon Rickerty. All the children have been pretending to be pirates and have made their own props using various materials and tools. Of course, the most exciting thing about being a pirate is going on a treasure hunt! This gave the children a purposeful opportunity to practise their mark making skills because to find treasure you need treasure maps. We talked about the fact that when we see treasure maps in stories they look old, usually because they have been hidden for a long time. So before we drew our maps, we experimented with different ways to make our paper look old; we discovered that tea bags are really good at staining paper. Once the children had drawn their maps, we used positional language to explain how to find the treasure for example "it is next to the tree". Some children really tested their geography skills by drawing real maps of the Nursery environment and could then explain how to find the treasure. In Maths, we have been using five frames and finding different ways to make numbers to five.

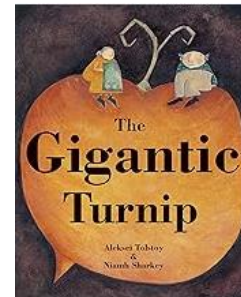
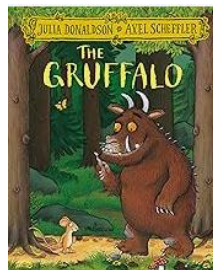
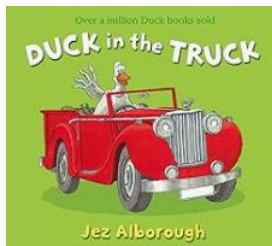


If you have, any questions please do not hesitate to email me or Munaza using the email addresses below:

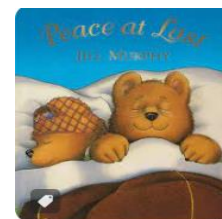
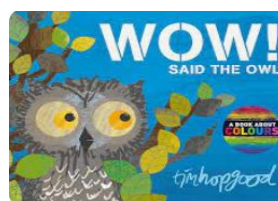
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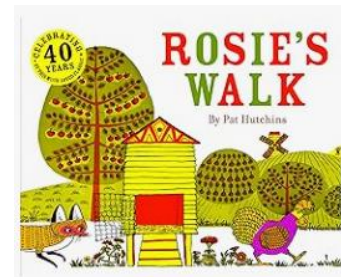
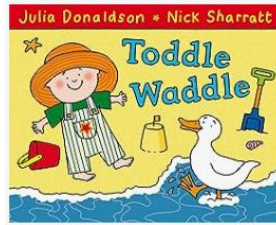
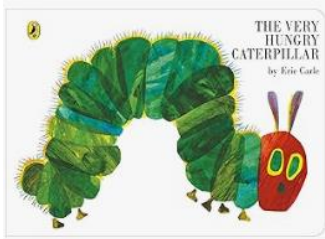
3-a-day Stories for Amber, Casper and Millie group children: The children have learnt our last 3 a day stories really well. These are our new 3 a day stories for this half term:



3-a-day Stories for Ollie group children: These are stories that the children hear every day. These stories have been carefully chosen to help the children to develop a love of reading and to help them to develop early reading skills. These stories have key elements that support the children to retell them for example many of them use rhyme or repeated phrases.



3-a-day Stories for Ziggy group children (these are our new children): These are stories that the children hear every day. These stories have been carefully chosen to help the children to develop a love of reading and to help them to develop early reading skills. These stories have key elements that support the children to retell them for example many of them use rhyme or repeated phrases.



Dip and Do

These are some ideas of things that you may like to do to support your child's learning at home.

- Can you hide something and use positional language to help someone to find it? Can you use these words: **next to, under, above, between?**
- Can you write your name?
- Can you find different ways to make numbers up to five?
- Can you find objects that sink? Can you find objects that float?

What have we been learning Nursery?

What happened to the 10 little pirates in the story?

What do you think a pirate can see through a telescope?

What can you see on your treasure map?

Please show your child these pictures and encourage them to talk about them.





Using different materials and tools, we have been making our own props to use in our pirate role-play.



In Maths, we have been learning about different ways we can make numbers to five.

What number can you see?

How can we make that number?

How many gems/coins do you need?

Is there another way to make that number?

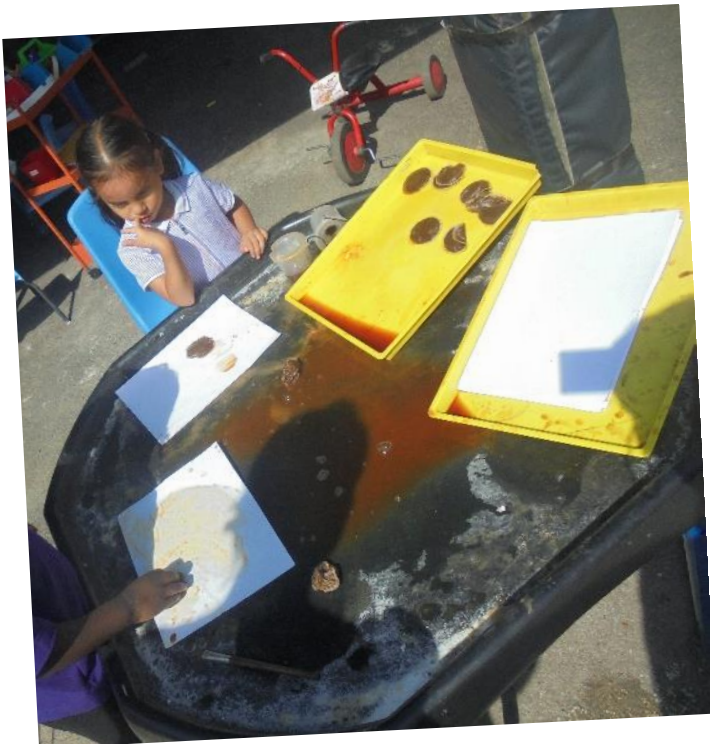


Did the boat sink or float?

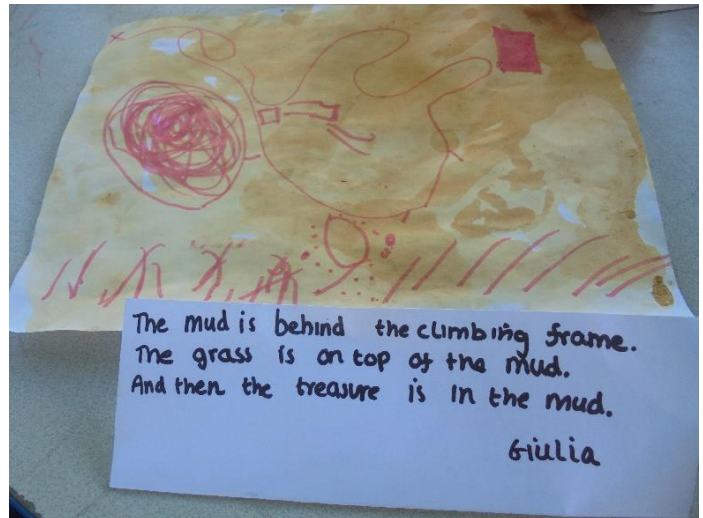
Can you make your own boat and see whether it sinks or floats?

Can you find other objects to see whether they sink or float?

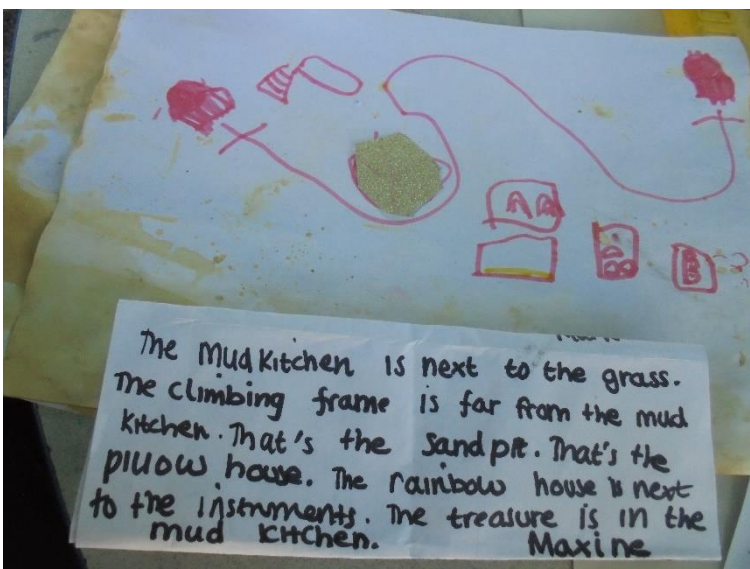
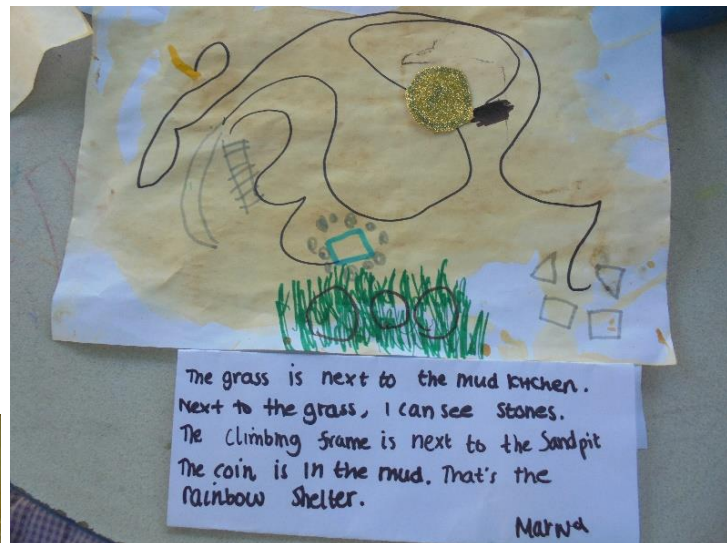
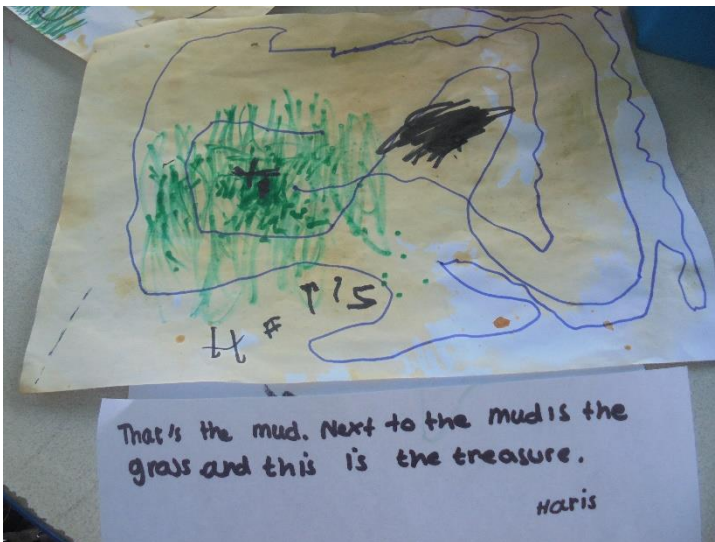
The children have used different materials to make boats. They have then experimented to see whether their boats sink or float. We have also been learning and using new vocabulary to describe what we observe.







The children created their very own treasure maps! They added meaningful marks and used positional language to explain where things are in the Nursery environment.



Important Dates

New Reception Parent Induction Evening: Thursday 26th June 2025, 7:00pm

This event is for the parents/carers of children who will be starting Reception at Dorchester Primary School in September. Come and find out all about our Reception curriculum and meet your child's new teacher.

New Nursery Parent Induction Evening: Thursday 3rd July 2025, 7:00pm

This event is for the parents/carers of children who will be staying in Nursery at Dorchester Primary School. Come and find out all about our Nursery curriculum and meet other parents/carers that will form our Nursery community next year.

Nursery end of year celebration: Thursday 17th July 1:30pm. Parents/carers will be invited to join us as we celebrate the learning of the children who will moving to Reception (whether this is at Dorchester or elsewhere). We hope to have a family picnic in the garden beforehand (weather permitting). If your child is staying in Nursery or moving to another Nursery they will not be part of the performance but they are of course welcome to come and watch. All families are welcome to join us for the picnic. Further details to follow.