

Peek at the Week

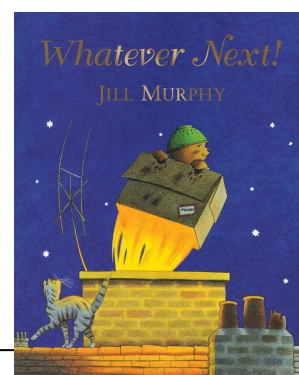


'Whatever Next!'

This week in Reception we have been to the Moon! We read the story **'Whatever Next!'** by Jill Murphy. We retold the story using props and we have been learning about what it would be like to actually go to the Moon. What would we need and why? We found out that it takes 4 whole days to get to the Moon! We discovered that there is no gravity in Space and very little gravity on the Moon. Can you remember why plants cannot grow on the Moon? What would you have to wear if you travelled to the moon and why? We learnt some new vocabulary associated with the story. Can you remember the actions and explain what the words mean?

ascend, rummage, voyage, soared,
pouring, filthy, imaginary

We have also reread a very familiar story - **'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'**, by Michael Rosen- and demonstrated our knowledge of the story by drawing story maps. When the children write their own story maps it shows that they have understood the sequence of the story's main events. It is a precursor to writing their own narratives, which they will do in later years. At this stage, the children label their story maps with key words from the story.



Empty Plastic Bottles for Rocket s and Astronaut Air Packs

We are going to make rockets and airpacks next week, as part of our topic on Space. If you have any large or small plastic bottles that we could have, please send them in with your child. Many thanks.



Mystery Readers this week

Many thanks, as always to our Mystery Readers. The children were delighted, as always. There was singing in one of the stories from this week's Mystery Reader! There are no ends to our parents' talents.



Reception Parent/Carer Events 2025-26



September

Welcome to Reception
Tuesday 25th
8:30-9:15am
Classrooms

October

Early Birds: Fine Motor
Activities
Tuesday 10th
8:30-9:15am
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

November

Phonics Workshop
Thursday 12th
8:30-9:15am
Classrooms

Maths Early Birds
Come and experience some of the activities that we do with your children.

March

Early Birds: Maths
Wednesday 18th
8:30-9:15am
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

April

Live Phonics
Wednesday 22nd
8:45-9:30am
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

May

Family Reading
Celebration
Friday 8th
2:45-3:15pm
Bronze and Silver
Classrooms

June

Bronze Class
Assembly
Friday 19th
9:00-9:30am
Main Hall

July

Silver Class Assembly
Friday 3rd
9:00-9:30am
Main Hall

Early Bird: Summer Holiday
Activities
Friday 10th
8:30-9:15am

August

SUMMER
HOLIDAYS

Parents Evening

Appointments for parents evening are available to book using this link; <https://dorchesterprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

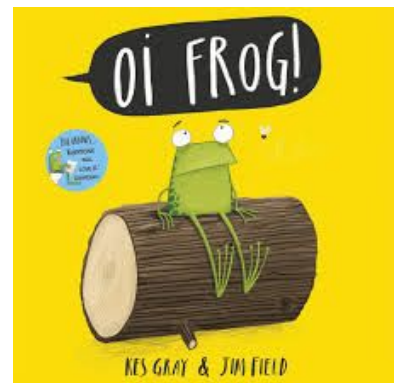
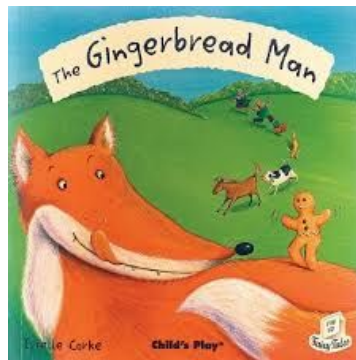
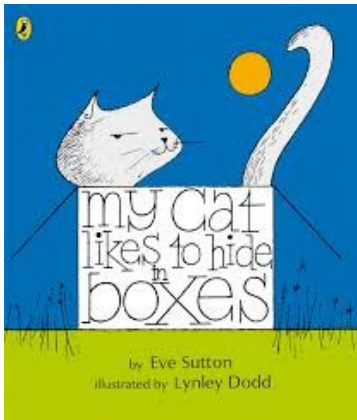
Appointments are on:

Wednesday 18th March 3.40pm until 5.30pm
Thursday 19th March 3.40pm until 7pm

The book fair will be in the hall on both of these days

Please go to the school hall when you arrive. There you can look at your child's Wow Book and then, bring them with you to your appointment.

Three a Day books for Spring 2



These are our 3-a-Day books for this half term.

My Cat Likes to Hide in Boxes - By Eve Sutton

The Gingerbread Man- By Estelle Corke

Oi Frog- By Kes Gray & Jim Field

As you know, we read our 3-a Day books regularly with the children and it helps them learn new vocabulary and to retell stories independently.

Forest School - Please

The children will have Forest School sessions on a Thursday morning with Riad. The classes will go every other week. We are looking for parents who would be available to support us with these sessions either weekly or on a rota basis. If you think you can help please contact your class teacher (see email addresses below).

Forest School timetable:

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO FOREST SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 19TH MARCH.

March

19th - No Forest School

26th - Bronze and Silver

Thank you to all the parents who have helped at Forest School. The children are loving having parents come to help. We can always take more!

Important Dates

Wednesday 18th March - Early Birds Maths - 08:30-09:15

Wednesday 18th March and Thursday 19th March:

Parents' Evening and Book Fair. You will be notified when bookings are open nearer the time.

Friday 27th March - Last day of term. Finish at 1:30pm

Monday 13th April - First day of Summer Term

School Dinner Menu

The school dinner menu can be found on the school website at:

<https://www.dorchesterprimary.com/page/?title=School+Lunch&pid=114>

Contact emails

If you would like to contact any of us by email. We will reply as soon as possible within school working hours.

Mrs Annabel Glover-EYFS lead/Nursery aglover13@suttonmail.org

Miss Munaza Ahmad - Silver Class mahmad68@suttonmail.org

Mrs Tammy Rich- Bronze Class trich18@suttonmail.org

Please share these photographs with your children and encourage them to tell you what they have learnt this week.

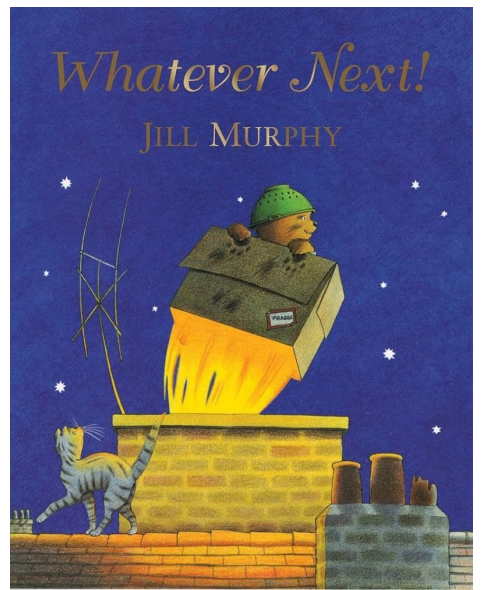


In Maths we have been investigating with 3D shapes to see whether they roll or slide.

Can you name any 3D shapes?

What can you tell your grown-up about that shape?

**What shape did you choose?
Did it roll or slide?**



We have been using props to help us retell the story.

Where does Baby Bear want to go?

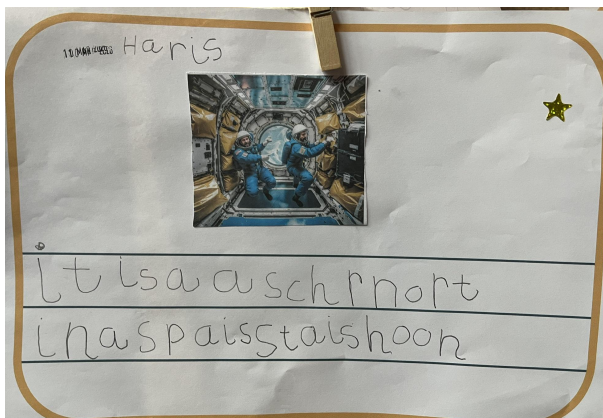
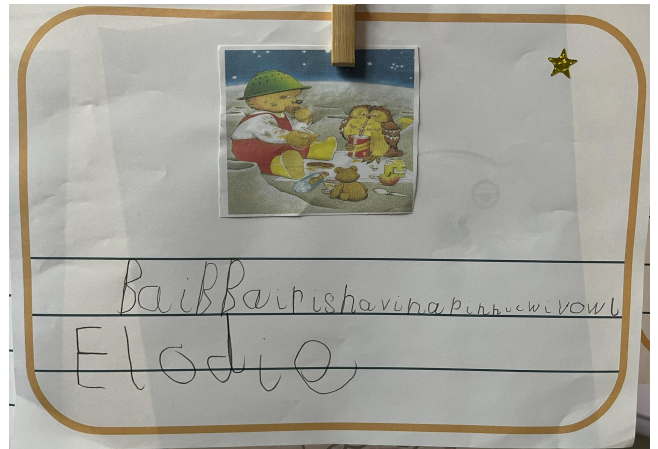
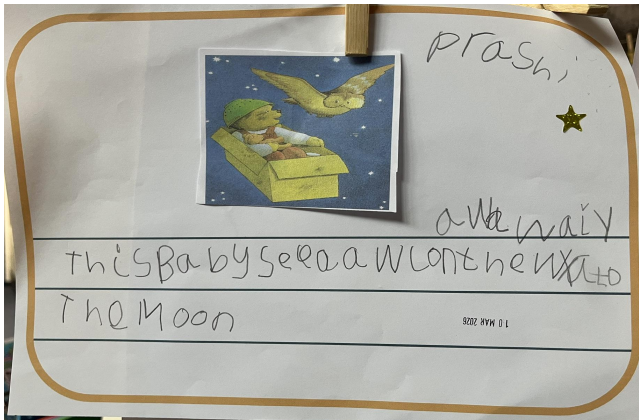
What does he need to go to the moon?

Who does he see on the way?

Why is he in a hurry to come back home?



Painting and drawing standing up is an important part of children's development. It helps to build gross motor skills, strengthening shoulder and arm muscles, creating the foundations needed for handwriting.



The children have been doing some independent writing on the theme of space and our story, 'Whatever Next!'



I see a moon on
the sky. Laura

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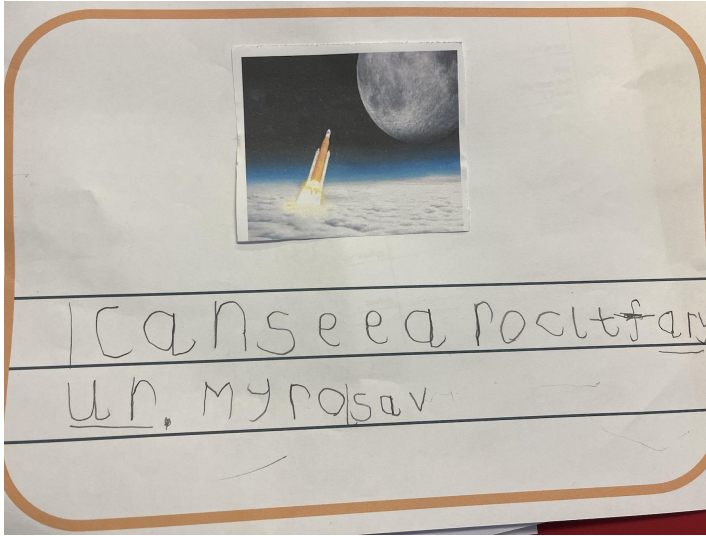
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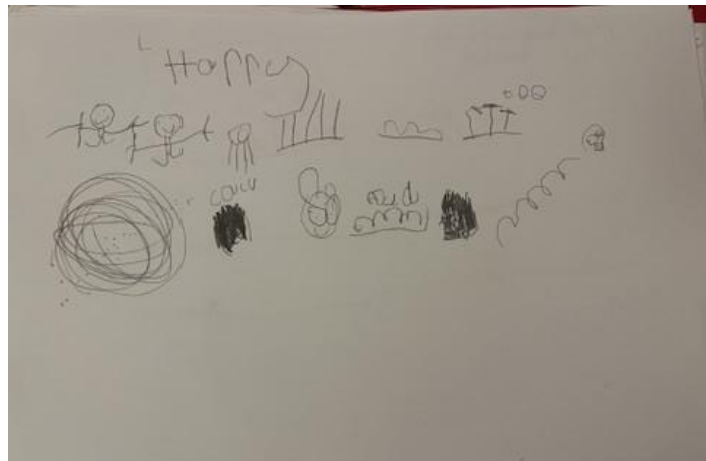
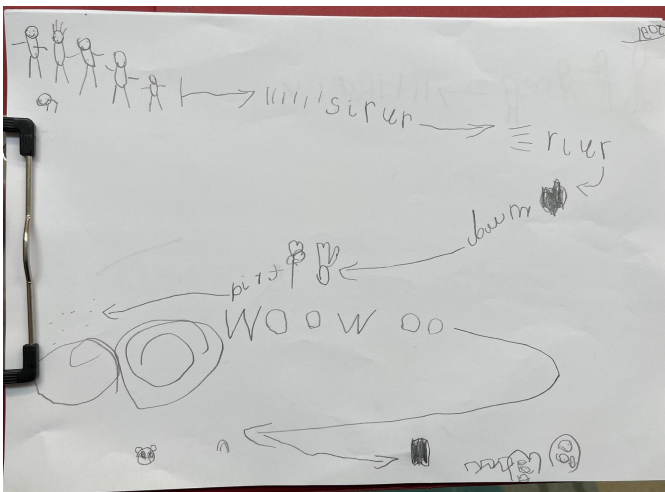
I see a moon. space man.
the earth
I can see the moon

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I can see a rocket
in my room

The children drew story maps based on 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' and added key words from the story.



Krishna

