



This Week

Our Learning

17.05.24

The highlight of our week was the visit from the 'Earthsong' drummers. They visited on Wednesday for music and dancing sessions with all the children. We loved learning through stories and songs about the places where the instruments came from and how they were made, as well as practising playing shakers and drums to different rhythms and beats.

We were also lucky to be visited by 'Captain Bob', a pilot who came to tell the children about his experiences and show us some of his special clothes and equipment. The children asked lots of interesting questions and talked about their own experiences of travel and knowledge of jobs as well as their ambitions for the future.

The children have reflected on their learning about plants and growth and compiled photographs, pictures and comments in a 'floor book' which they will be able to look at and discuss together.

Monet was our featured inspirational artist this week and we have enjoyed using colourful mark-making with oil pastels to recreate our own 'Waterlilies under a bridge'.



Next Week

Our focus artist will be Cezanne, particularly his still-life pieces. We will notice the colours, shapes and textures of fruit and use oil pastels to create our own masterpieces!

Continuing our food theme, we will follow simple instructions to make bread rolls. This is the third stage in our Curriculum Goal where the children are able to independently measure and combine the ingredients and then bake and taste their delicious results.

We will practise our storytelling skills using Tales Toolkit to adapt the Jack and the Beanstalk tale, changing the character, setting, problem or solution to create our own imaginative versions.

The children are already very knowledgeable about their brains. Next week we will remind ourselves about self-regulation techniques such as deep breathing, listening to music and spending time outdoors when we feel worried, angry or upset.



At home

Whilst out shopping, look out for unusual fruit and vegetables, notice their colours, shapes and textures. Try drawing them before tasting.

Also explore different types of bread – where does it come from? Which is your favourite?