



Our Learning



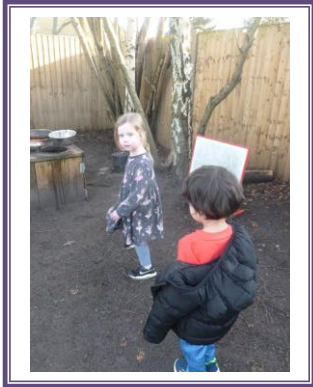
This Week

Monday 2nd February to Friday 6th February

We have had an excellent musical time this week learning about rhythm. We watched a video about the Malinke tribe in Africa and how rhythm is a part of their daily life. We saw a Djembe drum being made and glimpsed inside the tribes' culture. We listened carefully to the beat of pounding cooking utensils and the tempo when using tools to make a drum. After watching this we went on to find a range of objects with which to beat and tap out rhythms such as bricks, tins, and various tubes.

During time together, we have been reading the book 'Bears in the night'. We then used the small blocks and compare bears to represent and talk about the story. It was wonderful to hear the children using positional language such as under, over and through.

In the garden we have been using the natural environment to act out the story 'We are going on a Bear Hunt'. The children have had great fun squelching through the mud kitchen and stumbling through the 'forest' to find the bear. Luckily, we found the bear to be very friendly and we were not scared!



Next Week

Monday 9th February to Friday 13th February

Next week we will be learning about how people celebrate Lunar New Year. We will be exploring a heart collection and heart themed books. The children will then be encouraged to talk about the people they love and care about.

We will be using our knowledge of 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' to retell and draw our own version of the story.

At Home

Perhaps you could make your own obstacle course. Use positional and directional language such as over, under, through, in, on, over, under, forwards, backwards.

In relation to Valentine's Day you could talk to your child about the people they love and care about.

This week our key words are **celebration, love, rhyme, build, setting**