

Tiger's newsletter 5th May 2023



What a super Spring walk we had on Wednesday! The sun shone for us and we 'noticed' many signs of Spring. We were delighted to see/hear dandelions, bluebells, buttercups, fields of wheat and crops, tractor tracks, butterflies, a ladybird, a tractor, birds and aeroplanes. We also discussed why we have pylons and electricity cables and how the local area has changed since our Winter walk. We were disappointed to see so much dog dirt and so much rubbish! We hope you will be able to join us our Summer walk when we will help 'tidy up' our local area by litter picking!

In class, we discussed the stages (cycle) of a plant: A seed or bean is planted or 'falls' onto the ground. The roots start to grow. A shoot appears. The shoot grows into a stem. The stem gets taller and leaves appear. A flower grows. A bee collects pollen from the flower. The seeds are transferred elsewhere. The cycle begins again! It was great to show the children examples of this during our walk! We wrote sentences to describe the parts and stages of a plant and wrote sentences about the story of Jack and the Beanstalk.

We made beanstalks and caterpillars and painted scenes from the story. We acted out the story as part our dance lesson in PE. We watched 'Pink's Screen time' and talked about healthy habits when using technology. We also discussed media balance and watched a video to help us make good choices regarding technology. We enjoyed learning about the King's Coronation and made crowns and flags to celebrate.

In maths this week, we have been exploring the composition of 5, 6 and 7. We sang the rhyme about 5 little kittens and used our fingers to represent the kittens: "5 little kittens jumping on the bed, 1 fell off and bumped her head, Mummy called the doctor and the doctor said, no more kittens jumping on the bed."

We used the sentence stem "5 is made of 1 and 4. 4 and 1 makes 5."

Thank you to everyone who sent in sponsor money. Please send in the rest as soon as you can and we can order our new equipment for our outdoor area.

Next week, we will be discussing how we (human beings) change as we grow. PLEASE SEND IN OR EMAIL A PHOTO OF YOUR CHILD AS A BABY so we can try and guess who it is and look at how we have changed.

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From the Reception Team x