

5th May

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Dear Parents,

What we have enjoyed over the last two weeks ...

Last week, the Super Scientists found out about how they could look after the world around them. They learnt all about 'The Three Rs' - reduce, reuse and recycle, whilst sharing the story 'George Saves the World by Lunchtime'.

After learning that two thirds of all items that could be recycled end up in landfill, we introduced our own 'landfill' site (containing cardboard and plastic items) to our outdoor area. The children worked hard to sort the 'rubbish' and then thought of ways to reuse what would have been thrown away.

On Wednesday, the children enjoyed sharing the story 'Cardboard Box' with Mrs Ball. In the story, the little cardboard box is used in all sorts of different ways, before he is eventually recycled to make a new cardboard box. The children were very pleased to find out that the little cardboard box had been reused so many times.

On Thursday, the children enjoyed setting up their own experiment. Each child was given a runner bean to observe and draw. The children then put the beans into a clear plastic cup and placed a wet paper towel on the inside of the cup in order to hold the bean in place. Everyone has made a prediction about whether they think their bean will grow. We will all be watching very closely over the next couple of weeks!

This week, we have been learning about animals as well as celebrating the King's coronation. On Monday, we shared a book all about King Charles and how he had worked hard to help our country. We found out that King Charles is passionate about looking after the environment and about taking care of animals. The children were fascinated to discover that dogs, squirrels and chickens were amongst King Charles' favourite animals. They enjoyed learning about the names for different animal babies and learning about different types of habitats.

On Thursday, the children took part in a 'habitat hunt' in the school grounds. They discovered that there were many habitats, including trees, rocks, logs, walls and hedgerows.

Today, everyone has enjoyed our special 'Coronation Celebration Day'. This morning, the children worked in groups to create their own celebration performances for King Charles and their school friends. The performances included lots of amazing singing and dancing. I am sure King Charles would have been very impressed!

Homework

For homework, I would like the children to design and produce a 'Congratulations' card for King Charles on his coronation. Your child will have the card folded and ready to use in their wallet. This activity is being completed by children throughout the school and it has been requested that only the colours red, white and blue are used to create the card. Please encourage your child to write a special message for the King inside the card. We will share the cards with the rest of the class, and the rest of the school, next week.

Next week, we are going to be setting up our own veterinary surgery in the role play area. If you have any photos of family pets, please send them in for our display and upcoming 'chatter time' activities.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Hope

