

Reception Newsletter

13th May 2016

This week in Reception

Mrs Riley's class this week have spent a lot of time in the hall practising for their Family Assembly. They did themselves proud today with their performance in front of the whole school as well as to their families. A big thank-you to the lovely comments you left, the children were pleased to hear how much you enjoyed it. Mrs Bennett's assembly is coming soon. Can't wait to see it.

We made cloud dough in the outdoor messy tray using flour, baby oil and glitter for the children to experience different textures and how we can change the texture of something by adding different amounts of liquid. It was very messy but the children loved it and even used cotton buds to draw planets and so on.

Children made story maps using big rolls of paper and drew pictures as an aid to retell a story to their friend. This is a lovely activity to do at home, all you need is an old roll of wallpaper (they can be bought cheaply in B & M for as little as 50p in the reduced section) and a story to tell. At one end write **Once upon a time**, at the other end write **The End**. Try a traditional tale like **The Three Little Pigs** or **Cinderella** but it can be any story. The children simply draw the pictures as they tell the story. Writing can always be added too.

We made moon rocks by tearing tin foil. We estimated how many would fit into the container then counted to check. Some children were really good at estimating and gave close estimates. We then used the moon rocks for a sharing activity

6 planets	12 moon rocks	How many does each planet get?
5 aliens	15 moon rocks	How many does each alien get?

We have enclosed a "Wow moment" note. If you can write down anything that has made you think your child is amazing we would love to hear it. Your child's Learning Journey file is full of observations made by us of things we see your child doing in school which "Wow" us. We would love to add your comments too. It can be anything at all, possibly staying in their bed all night, riding a bike without stabilisers, helping with a little brother or sister, writing a list to go shopping, having lovely manners.....the list is endless. Many thanks.

Best Wishes
The Reception Staff

