

Nursery Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers

We have been looking closely at our names this week, comparing each other's names and whose name begins with the same letter. Who has a long or short name? We also noticed some letters were made with straight lines (A, E, H, K, L, M, N, T, Y and Z) and some with curves (C) and some had a mixture of both! (D, G, J, R). Some children recognised "M" and said it was "Mummy's" name! Noticing print is a major focus in nursery as we prepare for reading and writing. Notice print when out shopping or by looking at labels on food packets at home, can they spot the first letter in their name maybe. Recognising "M" as the McDonald's logo is something many children are able to do!

Our book focus this week was "Owl Babies" written by Martin Waddell. You can listen to the story with your child on the attached link below.

[Read our online, interactive Owl Babies storybook | BookTrust](#)

The book was chosen as it enabled discussion around feelings and emotions, how did the owls feel when their Mummy had gone? How did they feel when she returned? We also compared size by using a story sack which included objects from the story. Sarah was the biggest, tallest owl, Bill was the smallest, shortest owl and Percy was the middle-sized owl. Vocabulary introduced included bark, branch, twig, woods, happy, sad, excited and worried.

This week's nursery rhymes included,

One Finger One Thumb Keep Moving

<https://youtu.be/7ITah57xi5Q>

A big thank you to the Health Promotions Worker from Stoneycroft Children's Centre who visited our school on Thursday and talked to the children about the importance of brushing and looking after their teeth. The children sat really well, listened and especially enjoyed brushing Snappy Croc's teeth using the big toothbrush.

Enjoy your weekend.

Warmest Wishes.

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