14th February 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Many thanks to all who were able to attend Parent's Evening Week. If you haven't already done so can you please return the Parent's Feedback Sheet. Your comments are really valuable to us. If at any time you want any further information on your child's progress we do offer an open door policy, the door is always open.

In maths, the concept of length and height has been a focus. Vocabulary has included: long, short, tall, longer, shorter, taller, longest, shortest, tallest, the same size/length. Different objects were compared and children have enjoyed measuring how tall or long something is by using cubes, this also gave the opportunity to compare numbers. In the outdoors children tried a "throwing" game to see who could throw the furthest, we then thought of ways of being able to measure the distance. At home maybe screw up a piece of paper and see how far it can be thrown. How could the distance be measured? Possibly use how many footsteps! Then, can you throw it even further this time? Measure again using number of footsteps, and so on. Songs and stories found on YouTube which link to length and height include:

- SuperWorm J Donaldson
- Actual Size S Jenkins
- Jim and the Beanstalk R Briggs
- I can only draw Worms W Mabbit
- Titch P Hutchins
- Tall J Alborough
- Jack and the Beanstalk
- The Giraffe who got in a Know P Geraghty and J Bush

Many thanks for your support particularly when reading with your child at home. We do realise how busy families can be and finding a quiet 5 minutes can be difficult. This really does make a difference to how your child is progressing in phonics.

A reminder that school closes today for the February Half-Term break and reopens on Monday 24^{th} February.

Reception Staff