



Block Play

Froebel's stages of block play are a way to understand how children learn and develop through play.

As children develop, they begin to stack blocks either horizontally or vertically.

In the bridging stage, children start to create more complex structures.

Progressing further, children begin to create enclosures, using four or more blocks.

In the patterning stage, children start to create patterns or symmetry with blocks.



Cooking

Our first cooking project of the year was to make our own pizzas.

After washing our hands and putting on our aprons we worked from a recipe.

The children were able to spread their own tomato puree and grate their cheese.

The best part of the activity was after the cooking, when we hungrily tucked into our pizzas.



Lunar New Year

Our Lunar New Year celebrations began with a wonderful dance workshop. The children took part in traditional dancing with streamers and fans as well as the famous dragon dance.

Later in the week, we tried eating noodles using chopsticks, a task that many of the children proved to be very adept at.



Traditional Tales

This term our theme has been "Traditional Tales". We have read the stories of Goldilocks, Little Red Riding Hood and The Three Little Pigs.

Each story has provided lots of opportunities to develop our Language and Literacy skills as well as to be creative.

Here, we are making our versions of the Three Little Pigs houses and drawing characters from the story.



Forest School

Our first visit to the Forest of 2025 was on a cold and frosty morning.

We had been thinking about birds and how they survive in Winter, which led us to making bird feeders using kitchen rolls, butter, grated cheese and bird seeds.

We also investigated the Forest, looking for twigs and sticks to make nests for the birds.