

Brilliant Brushers

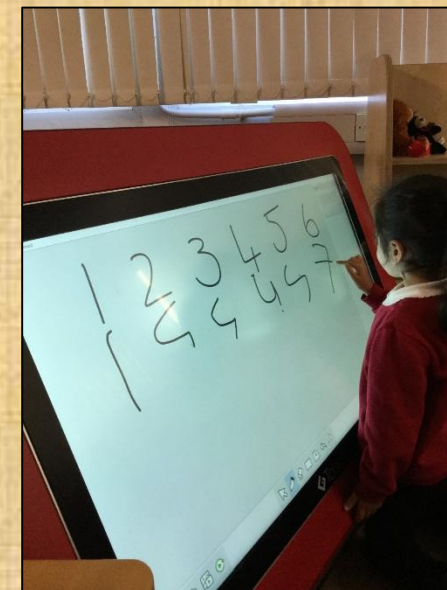
In November we started Brilliant Brushers, where the children dry brush their teeth every day, along to a tooth brushing song.

This supervised brushing encourages the children to look after their teeth, think about germs and hygiene. They wash their hands before and after brushing their teeth and say "Nice and clean" to the tooth brush register.



Fine motor and Gross motor skills

We have been practicing our fine motor skills with coloured peg patterns, finger writing on the touch screen and clicking and dragging on the chrome books.



The children really enjoyed practicing their gross motor skills, balancing on the stilts and learning to walk like giants outside. They revisited this daily until they achieved balancing and walking with confidence.



Winter weather and Arctic animal exploration

The children enjoyed the winter weather outside, they explored ice and used their own ideas to rescue the fish trapped in the ice.



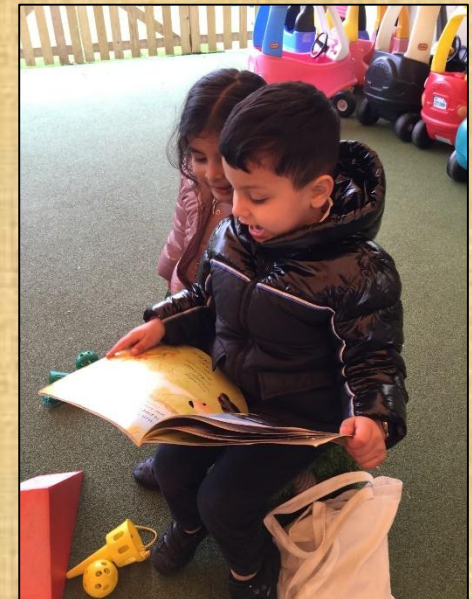
They also explored Arctic animals and their habitat alongside the iPad to support their learning. The children learnt new words like 'Iceberg', 'Frozen environment' and animals names 'Arctic Fox' and 'Polar Bear'.



Books and stories

The children have been using books independently and as part of their imaginative play.

They have been reading to themselves and sharing with friends, using words and phrases they have heard and learnt from familiar stories like Goldilocks and the Three bears and The Three Little Pigs. "I'll huff and puff". "Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin".



Lunar New Year Celebrations

We celebrated the Lunar New Year, the year of the Snake with a dance workshop. The children enjoyed ribbon dancing, fan dancing and a special Dragon dance.

We followed the dance actions and built up a sequence of movements to music as we waved our ribbons high, low and round and round.



Noodle tasting and Role play

The children continued their Lunar New Year Celebrations with Noodle tasting and using chopsticks.

We explored Chinese writing and mark making in fine sand and role play in the home area, dressing up in Chinese style clothes and sharing Chinese play food.



Noodle tasting and
role play



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Musical object of Curiosity days

Weekly we have explored different musical objects of curiosity. We listened to the music of the instrument first and tried to name what we could hear and we demonstrated how to play it with our hands using our own ideas and say what we thought it was called before we looked at the instrument.

We then explored the instrument and had a play to explore their different sounds.

We explored a guitar, a Ukulele, an Accordion and a Tongue Drum. We learnt a little bit about them and learnt some new words like, 'Vibration', 'Bellows', 'High notes and low notes'.

A Guitar and a Ukulele



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An Accordion

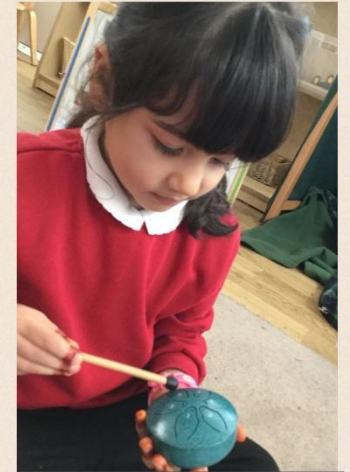


Musical object of curiosity



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A Tongue Drum



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