

Gems Nursery Newsletter

Friday 6th May 2016

Mathematical development

The children have been listening to the story about 'The Three Bears' as we have been talking about the size of objects. The children have been matching objects so finding all the big things including bowl, spoon, bed and so on. They have been using the language of size including big, large, enormous, small, tiny and medium.

The children have been singing lots of counting and number rhymes including 'When Goldilocks went to the House of the Bears' and 'One, Two buckle my shoe'.

Literacy development

The children have been talking about school and what they enjoy doing in St. Neots. Lots of the children mentioned swimming and going to the park.

The story of the week last week was 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear What do you See?' by Bill Martin and this week it is 'Mr Gumpy's Motor Car' by John Burningham. The children are getting good at retelling them.

We have been learning the sounds and name of some of the letters. So far we have done 'm', 'a', 's' and this week 'd' has been introduced.

Reminders

Please name all your child's clothes and belongings so if they go missing they can be returned.

Thank you for the snack contributions as a result the children have eaten lots of fruit, carrots, garlic bread and cucumber with cheese spread.

The weather is turning warmer so please ensure your child has a **sun hat** in their book bag to wear when playing outside.

Please do not leave pushchairs in our covered area as this set up for the children to play and learn.

Could we please ask that any money is put in a **named envelope**.

Also please ensure your child is wearing suitable footwear for school.

Busy learning

The children have been continuing to look for signs of spring outside. They also are really enjoying the sunnier weather this week and playing on the grass.

The children are fascinated with our growing caterpillars. We have been talking a lot about their growth over the last couple of weeks. The children are waiting for them to be big enough to make their cocoons so we can transfer them into the butterfly net.

The children are thoroughly enjoying 'cooking' in the mud kitchen. If anybody has any spare gravel or old cooking equipment to donate, please talk to a member of staff.