



ST VINCENT'S NURSERY UPDATE

6th November 2015



PRE-SCHOOL

The pre-school key groups have been focusing on bonfire night. They have all created beautiful firework pictures by pasting glue and glitter onto black paper to create a dark night sky. They have added colourful paints to splatter across their dark night sky creations to artistically produce stunning firework pictures. All the children have thoroughly enjoyed doing this and are proud to show their families and friends.

We have been practising how to hold our pencils and scissors correctly by writing on and cutting out bonfire night and firework themed pictures.

This week's song of the week has been Away in a Manger which the children have been rehearsing. They have all put a lot of effort into learning the words and so far the first verse is sounding fantastic! We will continue with the second verse next week and ask if you could help practise with your child. Many thanks

Christmas CD Recording

For the next two weeks the children will be learning the Christmas Carol 'Away in a Manger'. Our children who attend on a Wednesday are invited to take part in the recording of the School Christmas CD.

There will be a rehearsal next Wednesday 11 November and the recording will take place the following Wednesday 18 November.

We are really excited to be part of the schools Christmas CD this year.

We will be sending a copy of the carols home so you can help your child to practise.

EARLY LEARNERS

This week the Early Learners have been mainly focusing on a variety of simple shapes. The children have been able to explore the many different shapes through touching them inside a clear plastic bag. The children have had the opportunity to make new shapes with colourful playdough and then re-design them into new objects such as pirate ships and houses.

We are also looking at small, medium and large. They have loved listening to the Goldilocks and the three bears story, and all saying together "who's been sitting in my chair?"

Bonfire night has also been a topic we have focused on, making stunning firework pictures using a range of different methods for our creations, one of which was to drizzle glue onto black paper and then sprinkle glitter on top to recreate a shimmering firework and also creating splatter paint pictures. The children really enjoyed making the flicking action with the brush and seeing the paint splatter.



YOUNG EXPLORERS

During this week, the young explorers have thoroughly enjoyed making handprint bonfire pictures. Using both red and yellow paint on their hands and mixing the colours together to make orange to represent the flames of a bonfire. The children then sprinkled glitter on top to produce their sparkling fireworks. During the children's exploratory play they explored sealed sensory bags which allowed the children to use their fingers to feel the different textures and shapes to encourage the development of their fine motor skills. We introduced the concepts of big and small items this week and the children created big and small circles using play dough.

Parents can also look forward to finding letters and their children's craft creations in the baskets as soon as they enter the young explorer's room.

Seasonal reminder

A reminder to make sure children are prepared for the colder weather with appropriate clothing such as hats, scarves and gloves to ensure they are kept warm when playing outside in our garden.

Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.



The Children have been taking part in firework and bonfire safety talks throughout the week, to encourage a safe and enjoyable autumn period. We hope you all enjoy a fun and safe bonfire night this week. We look forward to hearing your news next week.

