



Reception Poppies w/c 6th October- The Leaf Thief

This week, we thought about all things autumn and started this by reading 'The Leaf Thief'. We have been learning various songs about the days of the week, the weather and even tried an autumn themed song about the colour of leaves. In class, we have been very creative, using nature as our equipment by going on a leaf hunt and turning these into various pieces of art work such as leaf wreaths, leaf people, wands and more! We have had good fun exploring autumnal items such as conkers and pumpkins and using these as part of our games and learning while discussing why we are seeing some changes happening around us at this time of year.



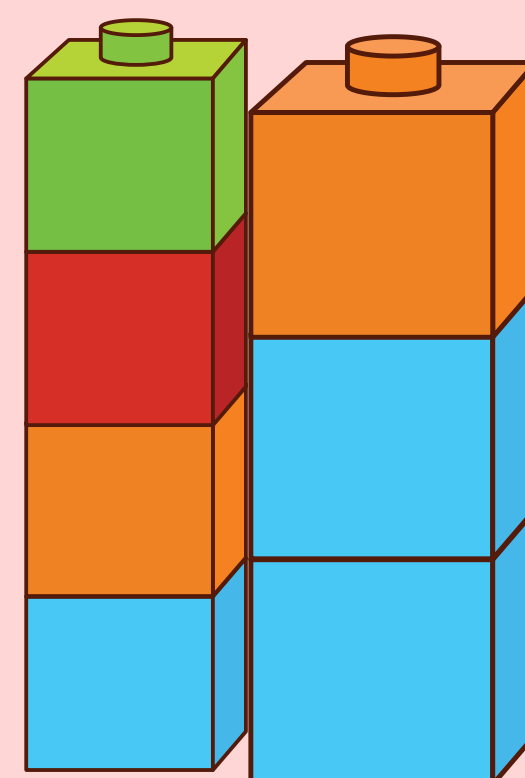
Drawing Club

In Drawing Club, we looked at the character of the squirrel from our story, the setting of the woods and thought imaginatively about what else could have been a 'leaf thief' in the forest as well as how we would collect up the leaves if we were to find them.



Maths

This week in maths we thought about the size of different leaves and ordered leaves from smallest to largest. We used our counting skills to count Autumn objects and recognised how to create these numbers when using different resources such as cubes. We have been singing lots of nursery rhymes that involve counting such as 'Five Little Speckled Frogs' and 'Ten in the Bed'.



Phonics

This week in phonics we have looked at the sounds: c, k, u and b.

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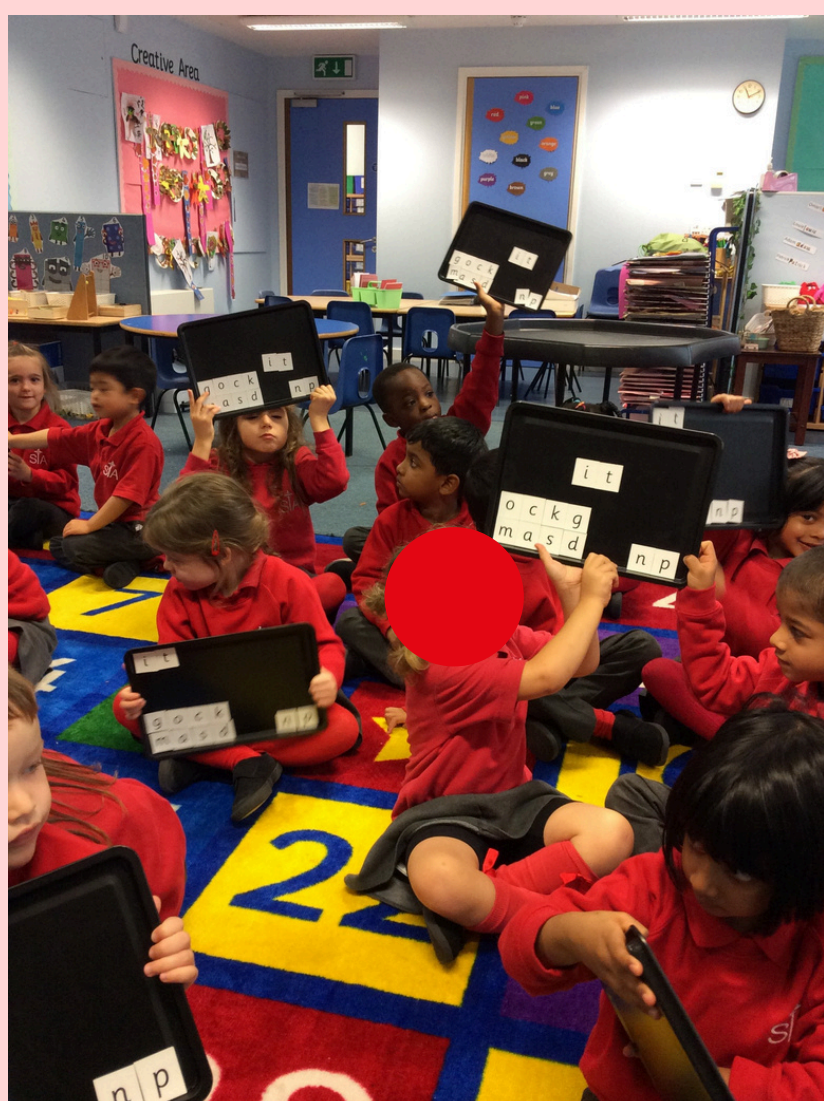
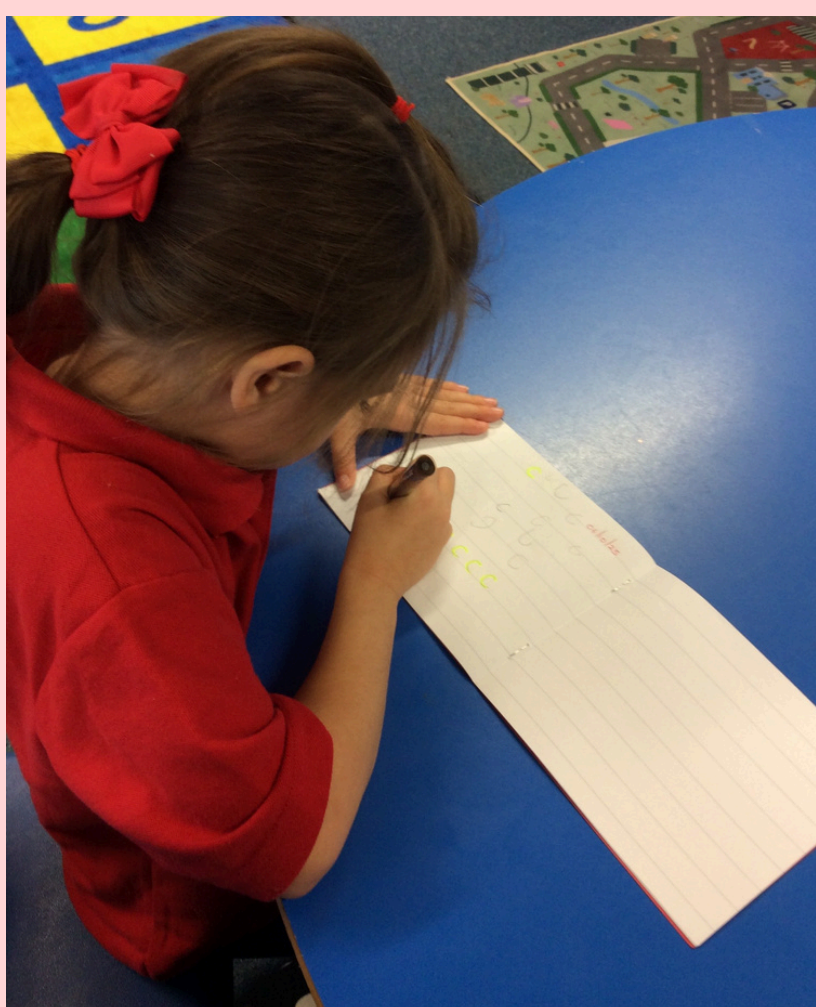
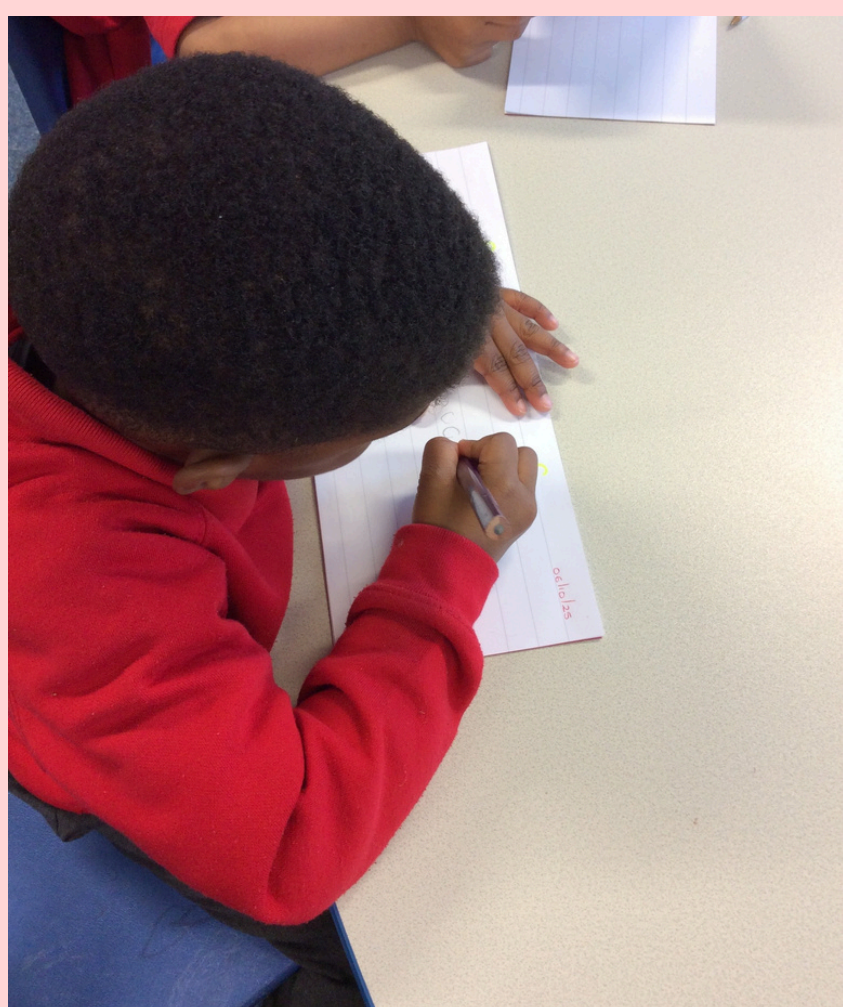
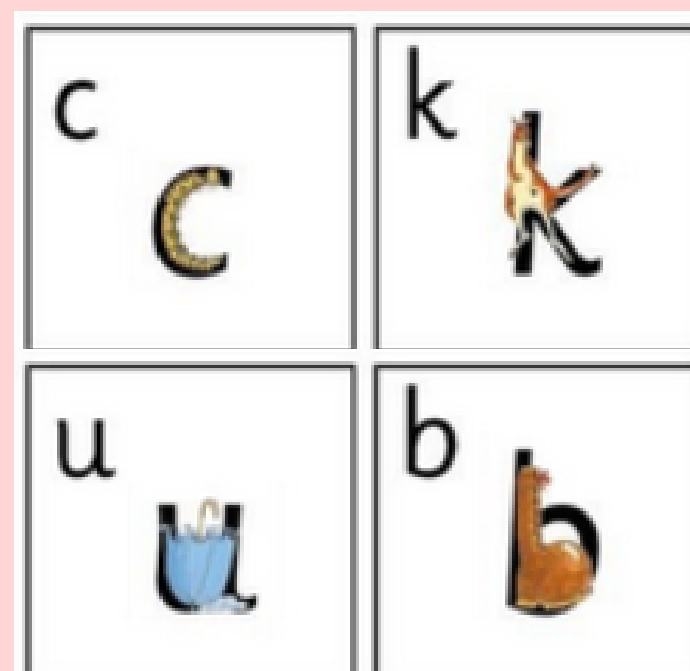
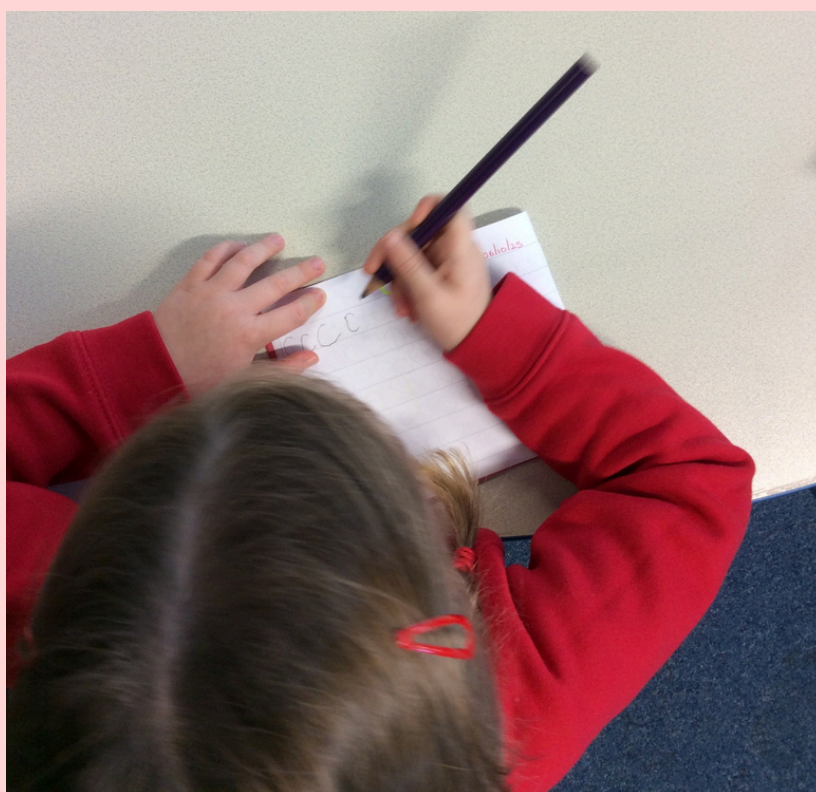
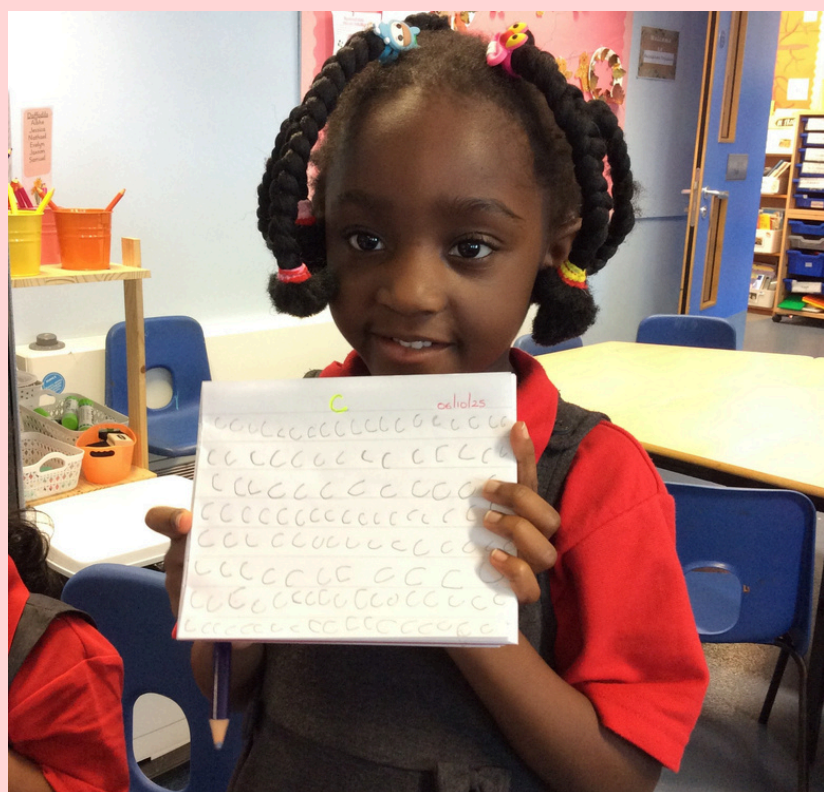
c - "Curl around the caterpillar"

k- "Down the kangaroo's body, tail and leg"

u - "Down and under, up to the top and draw the puddle"

b- "Down the laces to the heel and round the toe"

We will add the links to the videos to help with letter formation to Teams if you would like to practise with your child at home.



In Phonics, we have been focusing on our letter formation and have also been learning how to blend sounds together to form simple cvc words. We were so proud to see how many sounds we have already learnt!



Leaf wreaths, making faces using conkers, leaves and pine cones, finger print tree painting, leaf wands.



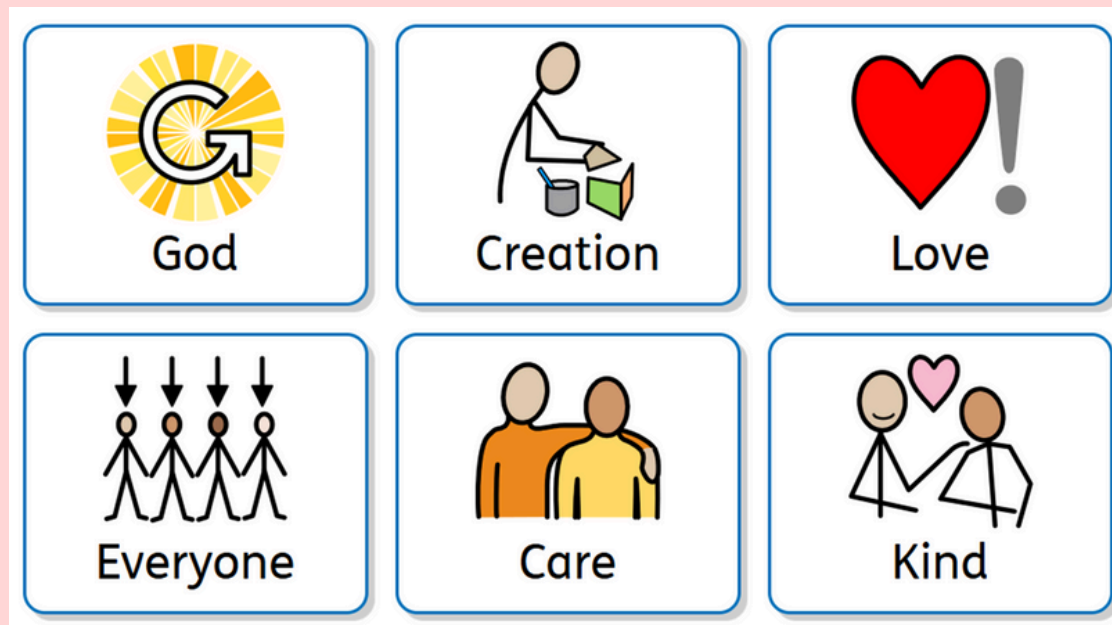


Exploring the texture and clearing out pumpkins, ordering the sizes of leaves in maths and making a conker run using pipes and crates.





RE



In RE this week, we looked at what it means to love others just as God loves us. It was important for us all to know that God made us and loves us, just as God made everyone and loves us all. The children discussed what each one of us can do to show love to others, whether they is family or friends. They all said it was important to show love to others by sharing and being kind no matter who the other person is. Some of our other ideas were giving people a hug, donating to charity, listening to people or using kind words and actions. We completed lots of activities such as making mirrors and decorating the outside of them so that when we look in them, we realise how special we are. We also did some collaging to show that 'God loves us to pieces', printing love hearts using paint, drawing self portraits to show us as individuals, making potions to spread love and making wands with love heart patterns.







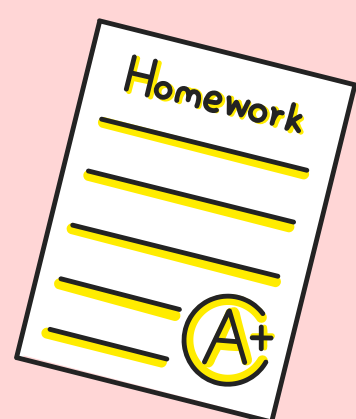
STAR OF THE WEEK

Each week we will choose someone who has been working hard in class to be our 'Star of the Week'. This is something that happens throughout the school at assemblies on a Friday. We will make sure that each child has a chance to be 'Star of the Week' throughout their time in Reception.



**A HUGE WELL
DONE THIS WEEK
GOES TO**

Louie



Optional Homework

Some of the children are finding it tricky to form the numbers to 10. We will be working on this lots in class but it would be fantastic if the children were practising at home too. Thank you.

Number Formation Activity

Can you trace the numbers?

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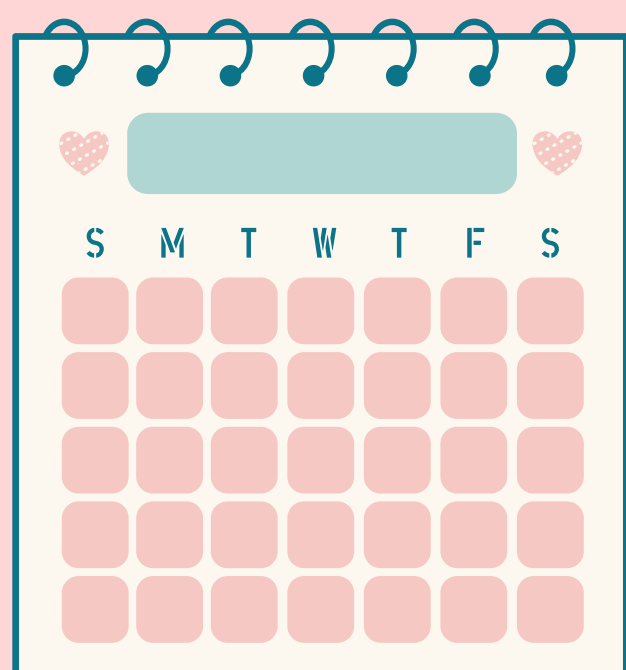
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Dates for your diary

Tues 14th Oct- Grandparents/ Senior Citizen Afternoon of entertainment - 1.45pm - 3.30pm. Please see newsletter above for more details.

Weds 15th Oct- Reception classes assembly for parents/carers 9.15am

Weds 22nd Oct- Tempest photography to take individual photographs of children

Fri 24th Oct- School finishes at 3.30pm for half term break.