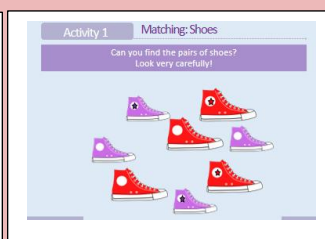




A fantastic week in Nursery for everyone. At Southridge, we pride ourselves on fostering independence, encouraging problem-solving, and nurturing a sense of achievement in our youngest learners. Each day builds on the previous day's experiences, through carefully planned whole-class sessions and by working alongside children as they play.

In Mathematical Development, this week has focused on matching.

We've had some thoughtful conversations about what makes things the same or different, encouraging children to use their words to explain their thinking.



We have continued learning songs, poems, and action rhymes through the theme of Autumn.

It was a delight to see the children's enthusiasm as they used our woodland puppets to create a puppet show, incorporating the songs, poems, and rhymes into lively and interactive performances. It wasn't long before they had set up a café to sell refreshments to an eager audience!

Our week ended with an extension of our work on colour, which linked beautifully to Friday's 'Green Day' in support of mitochondrial disease.

We ventured out on our first trip to Forest School, where we explored our new space and engaged all our senses in a mindful moment—seeing, hearing, and smelling the natural surroundings. The children then searched for shades of green to create an artistic representation of the colour green.



This week's rhyme

Rhyming is a crucial component of phoneme awareness which, is essential for learning to read and spell.



Autumn Colours Song

(Sing to the tune of 1 Frere Jacques/'Are You Sleeping?')

Autumn colours, autumn colours,
Orange and brown, orange and brown,
Lots of red and yellow, lots of red and yellow,

It's autumn, it's autumn.

In the autumn, in the autumn,
Leaves fall down, leaves fall down,
Lots of pretty colours, lots of pretty colours,

On the ground, on the ground.



A big THANK YOU for helping the children to develop such a confident sense of independence this week. They have learnt routines quickly, mastered wetsuits and wellies and proudly walked through the school for their individual photographs without hesitation.

We're thrilled. Have a lovely weekend.

Important diary dates and information

Monday 22nd September Drop off at the bottom of the ramp to Nursery.

Tuesday's will be allocated Physical Education days so please wear joggers or leggings. (these are also suitable for everyday wear if your child will be more comfortable inside their wetsuit or finds it easier to go to the toilet independently).