

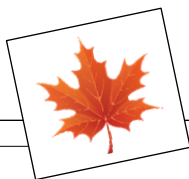


Southridge First School

Nursery Newsletter 4th October 2019



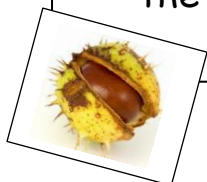
This week we have been talking about Autumn and how things are changing in the garden. For our challenge this week we went off in search of signs of Autumn. We were amazed at how many different colours of leaves we found as well as different shapes and sizes and the children enjoyed collecting them in their buckets. We have used these leaves throughout the week for leaf rubbings and printing.



As part of our focus on listening we went on a listening walk to find out what we could hear around the school as well as outside. We were surprised to find that when we listen really carefully we hear things that we didn't know we were making a noise. For example when we sat really still in the classroom we could hear the ticking of the alarm clock we use for our dance alarm. We also heard a whistle on the big yard, feet on the ramp outside, people talking, children playing and singing, clapping in assembly, cars and aeroplanes amongst many other things. These sorts of activities help the children to discriminate between different sounds which they need to be able to do to help them discriminate between letter sounds. You could go on a listening walk around your house and see how many different things you can hear. We would love to hear how you get on!

The conker counting machine has been a big hit in Nursery this week. The children have to roll their conkers down the cardboard tube and count them as they pop out of the bottom. The children have also continued to explore magnets this week and investigating which objects are attracted to the magnet.

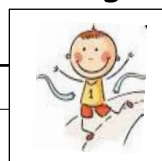
On Thursday it was National Poetry Day. We enjoyed some Autumn rhymes, particularly when we pretended to be the Autumn leaves swirling around in the wind! The children also listened to some poems during snack time.



We had our first visit to the hall for a PE session this week. At this point in the year we are again focusing on our listening skills as we join in with actions to songs and dances, we have to listen really carefully so we know what the next move will be. During our PE session the children do not change their clothes but we ask them to take off their socks or tights and shoes. The children had a brilliant first try at this and we were really impressed that some of the children could already do this independently. Of course for many of the children lots of practise is required and we would really appreciate if you could continue to encourage them to have a go at home.



We were really proud of them!



Dates for your Diary

Monday 21st October and Monday 4th November - Parent Consultations.
Appointment booking slots have been sent out this week - please check your texts/emails for a link to book.

Many thanks for all the emails this week. Please continue to send anything for your child's learning journey to helen.mason@ntlp.org.uk
Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.
The Nursery Team