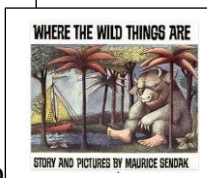




This week we have enjoyed reading 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak and talking about how Max used his imagination to go on a journey. We have engaged our creative talents to make our own small Wild Thing island. The children have really loved having their own 'Rumpus' on our outdoor stage with dancing, singing, and banging drums and symbols. We also put on our engineer heads to build boats like Max and test their buoyancy in water trays.



## Reading:

We have loved listening to the children read this week and we are so proud of the confident readers they are becoming. Thank you for your ongoing support at home.

Please keep encouraging your children to use 'Fred in their head' and read back over the sentences to build fluency and comprehension. For additional guidance and support please refer to the 'Learning to read in Reception' document on our website [Welcome to Southridge First School](#)

## Number:

In maths this week we have been using 'maths talk' to discuss and solve problems of sharing, using language such as 'fair', 'share' and 'equal'. We have played games and set ourselves challenges to share odd and even numbers between two. There are many opportunities for the children to consolidate their learning at home as well by sharing items, such as dividing fruit equally or going for a nature walk and sharing items the children have collected along the way. Please send these observations in.

We have also revisited 2D and 3D shapes, talking about the different properties and playing games to identify the shape. We have also made our own '2D shape' bubble wands to see what 3D shape bubbles can be made... sadly, still spheres but LOTS of fun in the sunshine!

You could take photos of the shapes you spot out and about at the weekend and send them in.



## Important Information:

- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April. We are looking forward to putting on our science hats with our visitor from Rockpool School. This should be a fun-filled afternoon for all!
- A request for spare coat hangers. Sadly, we keep losing or breaking wetsuit hangers and so we would be extremely grateful if each child can bring in a named hanger for their wetsuit. Many thanks.

We hope you have a lovely weekend, from the Reception Team.