



Southridge First School

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SPORTS WEEK

We've had lots of fun trying out different activities ready for Thursday's sports day.

The egg and spoon race proved a tricky challenge on Monday! We also practised throwing accurately and jumping over hurdles. Indeed, by the time Thursday came we were ready and raring to go! On 'the big day' the nursery adults were extremely proud of all the children and the way they hugged and congratulated their friends after the races. What a super group of children!

Sports week has provided a great opportunity to talk about healthy living. We helped choose items for a healthy packed lunch and talked about the value of exercise and a happy attitude. Our role-play area is also a doctor's surgery. The children have been very caring and know lots of names for different parts of the body.



Watching clips from various Olympic games has prompted us to use lots of mathematical language. For example, the men's 100m final got us talking about speed - "*I think I'd be faster than Usain Bolt on my bike!*" When we watched the women's high jump, the children couldn't believe how high the pole was! It was lovely to see them so inspired. In the classroom the children have also been using sand timers and stop watches to record all kinds of activities. Perhaps you could use timers and count downs around the house e.g. how many star jumps can you do in 30 seconds? How long does it take you to put your coat and shoes on? Of course, the story of the Hare and Tortoise got the children thinking about times when a more careful, steady approach might be useful, such as when brushing our teeth.

In phonics we have been learning about the phoneme /v/ and the sound it makes in words like van, vegetables and violin. It is a long, stretchy sound. We use the picture to help us remember this sound and the formation rhyme to help us write it: down a wing, up a wing.



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