

Southridge First School Nursery Newsletter 14th January 2022

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a very fantastic Christmas holiday, the children have certainly been very excited to tell us what Santa brought them. We are delighted with how well the children have settled back into our Nursery routine and we are very proud of them.

At the Greengrocers

The children have enjoyed exploring our new role-play area - a fruit and vegetable shop. We talked about the job of a greengrocer and took turns playing this role in the shop. We also looked at a picture of Tom Owen's greengrocers on Whitley Road in Whitley Bay. Perhaps you'd like to take a trip there at the weekend or visit the fruit and vegetables aisles in your local supermarket. Feel free to send in a picture if you do.

Supertato!

We read the story Supertato and discovered a note from Evil Pea. Evil Pea challenged the children to look for the fruit and vegetables he had taken from our greengrocers. We discovered the missing items up in the forest, where we had to rescue a carrot from the fence! This activity inspired a lot of interest and wonderful language. One child suggested making a small trap to capture the 'tiny' Evil Pea. Another child suggested that Evil Pea needs a cuddle to make him less mean!

The next day the children discovered that there were Evil Peas hiding all around our classroom. We managed to catch them all and counted them carefully. We were amazed to find there were fifteen peas so we trapped them in a box. Many of the children used building blocks or junk to make their own traps to stop the peas escaping again. The children have been keeping their eyes open all week in case the Evil Pea got up to any more tricks. We will be exploring these ideas again next week, as well as reading more of the Supertato series.



Odd One Out









We have been playing some simple Odd One Out games. This activity helps promote discussion and observation and is an important precursor to developing children's mathematical reasoning. You could use everyday objects to play this game at home.

Faith and Diversity Day

Today we have been finding out about how people show kindness to each other in different ways around the world. We talked a little about the Hindu festival Raksha Bandhan also known as Rakhi. Traditionally, Rakhi is a celebration of love between brothers and sisters and special bracelets were exchanged. We thought this was a very kind thing to do so we decided to make our own special bracelets so that we could show kindness by giving it to someone we love.

Sign of the week - Kind

Middle finger moves up and across chest and ends in GOOD

Have a super weekend and we will see you all again next week.

The Nursery Team