



Temple Grove Academy

Tunbridge Wells

Early Years Foundation Stage Newsletter 2nd October 2020

Nursery

Time is passing so quickly, and we are fast approaching the halfway point of the half term. The children are settled into the routines of nursery and we as staff continue to be so proud of them all for this.

At the beginning of the week we read 'We are all different' and considered what makes us different from one another such as the length and type of hair we have; the colour of our eyes and skin; the languages we speak; our likes and dislikes. We used this as a starting point to create self-portraits, considering our individual facial features. Mrs Sprigmore had the pleasure of teaching the children on Tuesday and took the children on a listening walk – lots of fun was had by all! We have also looked at colour this week – the children particularly enjoyed describing different coloured and patterned socks and finding the matching sock to complete the pair. The children have explored numerous activities independently this week but particularly favoured making necklaces and bracelets out of leaves; leaf printing; exploring lentils, beans and peas with tweezers and exploring the small world farm.

Please remember to email any family and pet photos to me to add to our home corner display:

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Reception

It has been a busy first week of full days for the Reception children and they have coped fantastically well with it. Lots of new faces and a busier classroom to tackle, as well as having lunch at school. The children have really enjoyed having lunch together and school dinners have gone down a storm. We have been encouraging the children to use their table manners and supporting those who need, to use their cutlery. This week we have enjoyed sharing the book 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers, talking about the similarities and differences between people. The children have been really interested in our planet, Earth and have enjoyed using the small world to discuss animals and where they live. Outdoors we have enjoyed exploring the new den making resources and musical instruments. Next week we will begin to learn our phase two sounds and shortly be sending home books to share at home.

