

## Nursery

This week in Donaldson class we shared the picture book *The Colour Monster* by Anna Llenas and explored the key feelings and emotions that featured in the text – happiness, sadness, anger, fear, calm and love. The children enjoyed listening to different pieces of classical music and discussing the affect each piece had on our bodies - the way each piece made us move and feel - we all agreed that Chopin's Waltz in D Flat Major op.64/1 made us feel happy!

In maths, we have been learning about common 2D shapes – squares, triangles, circles and oblongs (rectangles) and sticking to the monster theme, created our own shape monsters.

In phonics we continued to focus on general Sound discrimination – listening and remembering sounds.

Other activities the children have enjoyed this week include exploring colour mixing; exploring capacity and number with rainbow rice.

We have one week left of this term. Please do bring in your child's *Marvellous Me* box to share next week. Remember to email any family and pet photos to me to add to our home corner display:

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## Reception

This week we have been learning all about Autumn and the different seasons we have throughout the year. The children were very interested and excited to break open the pumpkin and gourds and explore them more using their magnifying glasses.

We have also been learning how to play games. The giant snakes and ladders was a hit. The children learnt that when you roll the dice you count on from the space your counter is placed. Lots of turn taking and sharing involved, which was lovely to see.

Every morning we learn a new sound. This week we have also been practicing writing our sounds. Jeffers class are trying so hard to make sure their letters are formed correctly. They are doing a great job.

In maths this week we have been learning all about adding one more. We found out that when you add one more your number gets bigger. We have played lots of adding games in the large playground, which has been fun. During our creative learning we have been using different seeds to create textures to our pictures. The children have thoroughly enjoyed this activity and our dying rack is full to the brim with some amazing, creative pieces. As you can see another amazing week in Jeffers class.

Just a reminder, Reception class has Forest school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

