PURPLE ROOM OUR LEARNING

AUTUMN 1 WEEK 7

What a lovely week we've had in Purple Room! We have been busy exploring, creating and learning through lots of exciting activities.

We have been looking at the signs of Autumn and noticing the changes happening around us. We enjoyed our autumn walk to Valley Gardens, where we had the opportunity to explore our surroundings and look for signs of the new season. The children walked beautifully around the gardens, making comments on what they've noticed whilst exploring their senses. A big thank you to all the family members and friends who came along and joined us. We really appreciate your support and the trip wouldn't have gone ahead without you!

This week, we have been focusing on initial sounds, helping the children to listen carefully to the sounds they hear in words and begin to recognise the sounds that words start with.

We have enjoyed lots of fun mathematical activities, including singing "5 Currant Buns", exploring 2D shapes and taking a trip to Number Land. These experiences have helped us develop our counting skills, number recognition and understanding of shapes in an enjoyable, hands-on way.

Our Funky Fingers activities have been keeping little hands busy! The children have explored threading necklaces, lacing, dot stickers, loose parts, peg boards and scissor skills. These activities help to strengthen the small muscles in their hands and fingers, supporting the development of fine motor skills and early writing skills.

Our rhyme of the week has been "Round and Round the Garden". The children have enjoyed joining in with this familiar rhyme, developing their listening skills, rhythm and language through repetition and actions.

Our Makaton sign this week has been "Good morning". We have been practising using this sign as part of our daily greetings, helping the children to develop their communication skills and explore different ways to interact with others.

Our book of the week has been Elmer! We have been inspired by Elmer's bright colours and patterns to take part in lots of wonderful creative activities. The children have enjoyed making Elmer crafts, exploring coloured pasta, painting with cars, mark-making in flour and using pom-poms to fill Numicon shapes. We have also explored repeating colour patterns, encouraging the children to notice colours, sequences and similarities.

It has been lovely to see the children getting creative, exploring different materials and expressing their ideas through play.

Thank you for another wonderful week in Purple Room! We can't believe it's the end of the first half term already. We look forward to more fun, learning and adventures together next half term. Have a lovely half term and we look forward to hearing about all your adventures when you return.



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