



Lovely Literacy

This week in Literacy, our story of the week has been *Giraffes Can't Dance* by Giles Andreae. The children were absolutely thrilled when we received a special letter from Gerald the Giraffe himself, inviting us to take part in the Jungle Dance. This sparked so much excitement and imagination across Reception.

We've had a fantastic week designing and making our own jungle-themed costumes, learning songs, and practising our dance moves. The children have really loved engaging with the text, exploring the characters, and joining in with all the creative activities.






To finish the week in style, our *Fantastic Finish* was an epic Jungle Dance performance! The children shone with confidence and enthusiasm, and it was a wonderful celebration of their hard work and creativity.

Marvellous Maths

In Maths this week, we have been focusing on number bonds to five and ten. The children have been working incredibly hard, and it has been fantastic to see their confidence grow as they practise different ways to make these numbers. They are becoming much quicker at recalling number bonds and are really enjoying the activities and games that help them deepen their understanding.

We are so proud of the progress they are making and the enthusiasm they bring to each lesson.

🌟 Weekly Highlights 🌟

-  We finally released our butterflies into the EYFS garden. The children watched in awe as they fluttered away to begin the life cycle again.
-  Our woodland sessions were brilliant this week, with children heading off on exciting *minibeast hunts* and discovering all sorts of tiny creatures.
-  Creativity has been everywhere — from crafts and music to dancing and performing for our Jungle Dance linked to our story of the week. The children showed amazing enthusiasm and imagination.
-  The new small-world cars have been a huge hit! Children combined them with construction resources to build ramps, car parks, garages and racetracks — fantastic teamwork and problem-solving on display.
-  As our attendance reward from Spin the Wheel, we enjoyed *parachute games* on the big field. Lots of laughter, fresh air and fun made it a perfect end to the week.



