



Dormice and Robins Class News

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Hello and welcome to our second web page of the year, we continue to be a very busy class!

Diwali



In November we learnt about the Hindu festival of Diwali. Mrs Strawford told us a story on a visit to St. Johns park using toys from our classroom and characters from the story – we loved it! After that we were able to learn the key points of the celebration and took part in some of our own learning activities.



Fireworks and Sparkling Fun!

The first week back after half term saw an exciting sparkler session to provide inspiration for discussion about firework safety.

Next we learnt about Guy Fawkes and The Houses of Parliament. Mrs Strawford told us the story using lots of different props. Afterwards we were very good at remembering the details.

The Gruffalo

Our Gruffalo mini topic started with an exciting walk to the park. On the way we found clues and footprints and after a little hunting we found our very own Gruffalo. We then used natural materials we found around us to create our Gruffalo and he looked great!



Once back at school we were able to learn the story and take part in lots of linked activities.

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

Finally, this half term saw our very first school trip. We went to Wembury beach and used the setting as inspiration for our own Bear Hunt story. We explored lots of language like bumpy, crunchy stones, slippery seaweed and we even found a rather smelly bear cave!



We also use The Bear Hunt story in our Literacy and Maths session, following instructions and learning about positional language.

TECHNOLOGY

Recently we have been using the ICT suite to develop our technology skills. We have used a programme called 2Paint and have been able to create firework and Gruffalo pictures. Check them out below.



If you have a computer at home maybe you could work with your child to develop mouse control as this is quite tricky for lots of us.