



Excalibur Primary School

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Pre-school Weekly Newsletter

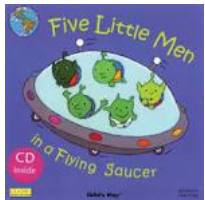
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Dear Zoo



Rod Campbell

Our story of the week was 'Dear Zoo'.



Our number rhyme of the week was 'Five Little Man' which the children were very keen to join in with.

Welcome to the summer term. It was so lovely to see the children back at pre-school this week. We have missed them!

This week, we have begun our new topic 'Dear Zoo'. The children enjoyed hearing the story read and we shared conversations about why the animals wouldn't make good pets. Everyone agreed that the giraffe was far too tall and the children thought a rhinoceros would spoil everything with its horn. A crocodile was added to the story and we talked about how he would need a long box to be delivered. The children also talked about other animals that made good pets.

On Monday, everyone was excited to see Gemma for Rhythm Time. The children learnt about crescendo and how we start quietly and get louder. They especially enjoyed the louder parts!

During maths time, we have been sequencing familiar events and using vocabulary to explain our order e.g. first, next, then, after that, last. The children have ordered pictures depicting a morning routine, nursery rhymes and the story of the hungry caterpillar. They then had to check the sequence made sense.

On Thursday, we spent much of the time outdoors. The children enjoyed exploring the pre-school area; making sand pies, filling and pouring in our water tray, blowing bubbles and rolling the outdoor hoops. Fingers crossed we get lots of sunshine over the next few weeks!



New starters

A warm welcome to our new starters and their families. The children have all been busy exploring their new setting and making new friends. I am sure they will have lots to tell you and if not, the weekly newsletter might help start those conversations.

This week, we also welcomed Miss Scott-Jones to the pre-school team.

Pre-school Trip

We are planning an educational outing, for pre-school, on **Monday 13th May**. We will be travelling by coach to **Peak Wildlife Park** and the children will need to bring a packed lunch on this day. (More details will follow in a separate letter).

We would also like to include children who don't normally attend on Mondays. Unfortunately, we would have to charge the cost for the additional day and the trip cost (which will be about £20).

Please let staff know by **Friday 25th April** if you would like your child to attend this trip as an extra day.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Cheadle, Miss Dugmore, Miss Bebbington and Miss Scott-Jones

