



Hercules Class Newsletter End of Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible term we have had.

The children have had great fun outdoor playing with the autumn leaves. The reception children are continually amazing us with their creativity and imagination in the outdoor area.

The reading and writing skills of all of the children are progressing very nicely. Reception children are using skills they have been taught, to read their first set of reading scheme books. They have learnt to write their names and simple CVC words. Year 1 children have been learning how to extend their sentences and what a verb is. They have also written some poetry and a list to Santa!

In maths the reception children have been building on their understanding of number to 5, whilst the year 1 children have been focussing on deepening their understanding of number to 10.

Early on in the term we had a very special visitor – Clive the Car! The children listened to a story about Clive the Car, got to see some of his travels around the world and then even got to meet Clive the Car and sit in him. An amazing experience for the children and many thanks to Mr Smitheram for bring this experience into school for the children.

We had the most amazing day out at 'We the Curious' learning about the rainforest and the types of animals that could be found there. We discovered there were different groups of animals such as mammals, reptiles, birds and amphibians. We even learnt to identify what animals eat by looking at their teeth!

Just this week we went on an ELF adventure inspired by a storybook called 'We're going on an Elf hunt' which was lent to us by Mrs Bishop, so a big thank you. We had a lot of fun!

However, for Hercules Class this term the main event was the 'Wiggly Nativity.' I cannot begin to tell you the hard work and commitment each and everyone of your children put into their practice and rehearsal sessions over the past five weeks. Every single child had an active part in the nativity and I think you will agree, they put on the most amazing show. We were so proud of them! Even now they are still singing songs and doing the actions!

Next term our topic will be 'Travel and Transport'.

Please keep reading with your children over the Christmas. All it leaves me to say is from myself and the Hercules team have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Mrs Hanna, Mrs Stables, Miss Ford and Miss Degville

