

# Week Beginning 29/10/18

This week in Phonics...

We have been continuing to learn our sounds, focusing on the phonemes (m, ar, e, c and k). This week we even learnt a new diagraph 'ar', the children had lots of fun decorating their own star. We are very impressed with how well they are beginning to blend the sounds to read the words and some are even trying to independently write them!



This week in Maths...

We have used the Number Blocks to help us learn the numbers 9 and 10. We then moved onto teaching the children about counting in groups and why it is important to make sure the numbers are in the correct order.

We enjoyed talking about bonfire night, discussing firework sounds, colours and also how to stay safe during this event. It's been a **Blast!** Enjoy any firework displays this weekend! We can't wait to hear about the children's experiences next week.



On Friday, Dragonfly class were lucky enough to start Forest schools. We learnt all about hedgehogs. We found out that they like to eat worms, slugs and woodlice so we went on a hunt in the forest to see if we could find any hiding underneath the wooden logs. When hedgehogs feel frightened they roll themselves into a tight ball and stick their spikes out, we tried rolling into a tight ball it wasn't easy. Also hedgehogs can't see very well and use their ears to hear things and their noses to smell things, we closed our eyes and listen to sounds around us. Finally we made our own hedgehogs from clay, used natural materials for spikes and read a story called "The Wide Awake Hedgehog" by Rosie Wellesley. We also discussed the word "hibernate" with the children.

Bug Challenge:



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