



🌟 This Week's News! 🌟

Our Learning

In Drawing Club we explored *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* through characters, settings, and new adventures. We used ambitious vocabulary like *gruesome*, *determined*, *luscious* and *creaky* to describe the story. The children then imagined exciting twists – rescuing the troll from the river and meeting new animals crossing the bridge.

In phonics, we have been learning the new sounds **g, o, c, k**. The children have been practising saying the sounds, writing the letters, and spotting them in words. We have also been blending them with the sounds we already know to read simple words. You can help at home by looking out for these letters in books, signs, and labels, or by practising writing them together.

This week in maths we have been practising our counting. The children even made their own counting wands to help! We are learning that the last number we say when counting tells us how many there are altogether. Using our wands, we pointed to each item to make sure nothing was missed.

We have also been exploring patterns – spotting them, continuing them, and creating our own. The children have enjoyed making repeating patterns with colours, shapes, and natural objects such as leaves and conkers, using mathematical language like *next*, *repeat*, and *sequence*.

👉 **Try it at home:** Give your child a “magic wand” (it could be a pencil or stick!) and let them point and count everyday objects, like toys, spoons, or stairs.

We have also been learning about autumn. The children collected leaves from around the playground, looked carefully at their different shapes and colours, and made beautiful leaf rubbings and leaf prints. This helped us to notice the changes happening all around us in nature.

AWARDS



Every week, the staff look out for those children who are just that little bit extra special in the current week to award them one of our Achievers Certificates. It might be for lots of effort, fantastic presentation, super learning behaviour, lovely manners, being extra helpful or just that bit more determined than the others to finish their work accurately. They might just be an outstanding all-rounder.

This week, our awards go to



Achievers
Vinnie
Sequoia
VIPs
Bobby
Nellie



Looking Ahead – Autumn Walk 🍁

Next **Wednesday**, we will be going on an **Autumn walk** around the school field and the forest area. We will be looking closely at the signs of autumn and using all our senses to explore the season. Please make sure your child has a pair of **wellies** in school for this activity.

