

# And just like that it's the end of term in Raccoon class...



What a jam-packed term we have had! And what super progress all children have made across the last 14 weeks.



Here is a review of our first term together...



Week 1 we became familiar with rules and routines and the expectations of the classroom. We learnt lots of new names and made lots of new friends.

Week 2 we began our Colour Monster theme and learnt the Zones of Regulations colours and emotions, which we still use to explain how we are feeling now. Outside we used marks to create an obstacle for the Colour Monster.



Week 3 we continued to think about our feelings and how others might be feeling also. At the funky fingers tables the challenge was to create a happy/sad/excited/worried face using the play dough. We also drew our favourite part of the story, explained it and then labelled it if we could.



Congratulations to LeannaRose and Elora on receiving our 'resilience' star learner award last week.



Week 4 saw the start of our Birthday theme, which we all LOVED and were very engaged. We made wrapping paper, birthday cards, party crowns and played party games together.



During week 5 we celebrated our own 'Party at the Park' after we wrote party invitations and made crowns and badges.



Week 6 brought our new text 'Hello Friend' so we drew and labelled pictures of our friends!



During our final week before the half term break, we all created a self portrait using paint and a mirror to check our facial features. These are proudly displayed in our classroom!



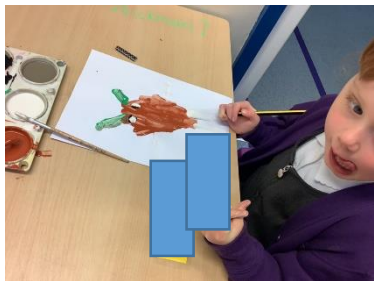




Our first week back saw lots of creative and sensory tasks linked to Halloween and fireworks.



During Week 9 we created hedgehog homes as well as lots of crafts and writing tasks about hedgehogs.



Week 10 we began our Stickman learning and went to the forest to collect sticks and create our own Stickman.

During Week 11 we shared our favourite part of the Stickman story and drew and labelled it using our phonic knowledge.





Week 12 brought our Christmas Performance - we were so impressed with the children's singing, dancing, speaking and general performance skills! This was a very proud moment 😊



During Week 13 we listened to a story about the Nativity and had the opportunity to complete a variety of tasks linked to the Christmas theme.



And that brings us to our final Week 14, which no doubt will be just as busy as the other 13 weeks! On Monday we are having a collapsed curriculum day and learning all about how Christians celebrate the Christmas story. Tuesday we are visiting the local church and asking the Reverend Paul Tams questions. Wednesday is Christmas jumper day and Christmas Lunch, as well as the final Balance ability session for the Ricky Raccoons. Thursday is the final Balance ability session for the Rosie Raccoons. And then Friday is the last day! Look out for a very special present that your child has made and wrapped for you this week.

**See you on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023.**