

## Nursery & KG1 Newsletter

1<sup>st</sup> March 2013

The Starfish have been busy learning about and exploring water. This has involved water play and using water to make play dough and jelly. This week the learners have been focusing on working together, listening to others and showing kindness to their friends.



### Literacy

The Starfish thoroughly enjoyed reading *Pig in the Pond* last week. They role-played the characters and read with expression. The KG1 learners also sequenced the story and sorted jumbled up sentences. This week the class have been reading *Mrs Wishy Washy*, which complements our Unit of Inquiry. This has been particularly exciting, as the learners invented their own cleaning machines and made models of these using recycled materials. This allowed them to be both imaginative and creative and they were all proud of their machines. Thank you for bringing in your old boxes, the learners loved using them to create their models.

In addition, our Nursery learners read the story of *Owl Babies* and used puppets to role-play the characters. They also painted their favourite characters and matched animal sounds on the computer to their corresponding picture.

## Mathematics

The learners enjoyed exploring capacity last week. They investigated how many cups it would take to fill different containers and used related vocabulary such as full, empty, half full, half empty. They worked in groups to record their findings on a pictogram. The Nursery learners explored the concepts of big and small and went on a hunt around the school in search of big and small objects. This week KG1 have been learning about time and we have discovered some interesting bed times. They used the small clocks to tell the simple times (on the hour) and played the traditional playground game 'What's The Time Mr Wolf?'



## Unit of Inquiry

What an exciting time we have had exploring water. The Starfish found some new items in their water tray this week and were eager to investigate. They learned the importance of water in cooking and made play dough as well as jelly. They also discussed how they use water in their daily lives and made a book all about water. They will continue to learn using exciting experiments throughout the unit.

## Reminders

**4-8 March - Book Week**

**8 March - Heroes and Villains Character Day**

**12 March (2.30am - 3.30am) – Nursery and KG1 Mini Exhibition**

**15 March - End of Term 3**

**1 April - Start of Term 4**