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The Autumn season is providing lots of topical discussion points for the children to explore including the changes in the environment, the colours of the leaves and the amazing natural craft experiences. That we get at this time of year. St Dominic's ELC: 01764657865 November 2020



Learning Newsletter

Current learning includes our interest in finding out about how rain drops are formed and how they manage to cling onto the fences in beautiful shapes. The children are loving repeating facts about nocturnal animals and the creatures that hibernate for the winter. We are using our new technology board to scaffold our learning about the bears in America and how they eat all summer to sleep all winter, amazing creatures and wonderful learning.

Theorists tell us that first hand experiences help our brains to understand and remember our learning.

We have continued to observe the children as they play and explore the learning experiences that are on offer and we are adding to their learning journals. To ensure that you are involved and kept up to date with some of the children's learning experiences we will continue to send you a monthly update of their journal and this month will have an update of their individual learning targets and ways in which you can scaffold learning at home. We are enjoying using our undercover area to have large group times and the children are enjoying beginning to learn the songs for our Christmas show which we will perform outdoors and hopefully make a video to share with our families.

We are still enjoying our outdoor learning experiences and are very grateful for your support with this through ensuring your children have appropriate clothing that is warm and waterproof. Mrs Hunter has been successful with the funding for a class set of waterproofs and they should be with us shortly.

he children have learned to make Pumpkin soup and are enjoying learning about the different ingredients that can be added to "tummy warmers" (soup)for the Winter. We have toasted Pumpkin seeds. "very tasty".

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The children are continually watching their vegetable patch to see if the "carrots are growing". All of the children have loved watching the builders take down the old building at the back of the school. This has provided rich vocabulary opportunities for the children to

learn about the different tools that are being used and name the parts of a "digger".

We are learning about time and how the seasons and months change the weather. The children are exploring how time guides us in our daily routines. We have made clocks and are learning about the language of time, you can scaffold this at home by using the time in daily conversations to ensure secure

connections are made with this sophisticated language learning.

We have been using non-fiction books to find out about foxes and the children have made some amazing art work using leaves and shapes to explore texture and creativity. They are all confident to repeat some of the facts they have learned about foxes.

We are compiling a Sociogram with the children to explore the importance of friendships and how we can support others to feel included and welcome. We talk about the importance of sharing and we are sure the children can tell you that "sharing is caring". We discuss how we can breathe in calmness and Ouse out kindness a good approach to life we think. We are continually amazed at what accomplished learning partners your children are, and we embrace each day we spend with them as they bring great joy to our daily lives. Their laughter and lite humour is heart warming and like a breath of fresh air each day.