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increasing pupil enjoyment. Pupils have made their own bead strings as well as using them for a wide variety of purposes including multiplication, use as a number line and counting to name a few. Staff CPD this week has been on using Tens Frames in maths and work using these will carry on with the young people next week as part of their maths lessons.



The Dolphins class made their own playdough in one of their Motional Sessions this week. Motional is a session where a range of activities take place that are designed to support young people in developing their emotional responses to situations and developing a range of self-help skills. Activities can be sensory based providing the opportunity to explore how our body feels in a range of situations, becoming more in tune with how feelings and emotions also make us feel.



The aim of Forest School is to provide experiences to allow the children to develop into resilient, independent learners. This week pupils in Dolphins set up the Twigs and Sticks Trading Company, following exploration of the sounds made when twigs snap and a long discussion about the roles each of them could play in setting up their own company. We are looking forward to seeing this develop further next week.

The children in Hedgehogs have been learning about the differences between the Stone Age and nowadays. They have made pottery out of clay as they did in the Stone Age.



The Hedgehogs class have also read a story about a lost toy called 'Knuffle bunny' and have been practising and learning how to write a story. The pictures are the cover and the beginning of the story which will be finished in the next lesson.



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The children in Elephants class have also been very busy, digging for worms in Forest Schools and learning about how gravity can have an effect on buildings, causing them to fall down, in their science lessons. In math the Elephants pupils have been focusing on investigating the differences in the properties of 2d and 3d shapes.



I hope you have enjoyed sharing the learning that has been going on this week as much as we have enjoyed seeing the children working so hard.

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

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