

## Weekly Learning Reflections



### **Week Beginning:**

Happy Friday!

Welcome back from the Easter break. I hope that you all found time to enjoy with your loved ones and the small amount of sunshine that has begun to peek its way through. The children have returned to school with enthusiasm and have filled the first week back with a wide range of learning.

We have started many new units of work this week, my personal favourite has been art. The children were excited to see it reappear on our timetable and great enthusiasm was showcased as the sketching pencils came out. You could have heard a pin drop as the children had a go at replicating a famous piece of still life work before we learnt about the secret tool box of an artist. The children were able to identify the basic 2D shapes and lines that artists use to shape their work before having a go themselves. Great disappointment was heard when we had to stop.

PE today was another lesson that seemed to be enjoyed by all. We hit the playground with our tennis rackets and balls to develop ball control. The children practised walking with the ball balanced before attempting to bounce the ball as many times as possible on the racket. The children quickly learnt that power was not needed to control the ball before we moved onto a game of tennis catch in hoops. These skills will continue to build ready for some tennis matches at the end of the half term. Our other PE unit this half term is athletics. The children will develop their throwing, catching and jumping skills in preparation for Sports Day later in the term.

We have also begun a 2 week experiment in our classroom as part of our new science unit – plants. The children learnt the key things plants need to grow and we began to ponder what would happen if we removed one. Our experiment sees a control plant alongside a plant in a bag that has had its oxygen removed. Each morning the children are coming in and noting the changes in both plants to see what happens over time. This has led to a small amount of disappointment this morning as nothing had happened yet but all children have speculated what they think will happen over the next 2 weeks.

### ★ ★ ★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★ ★ ★

Pupil Star of the Week - ★ Ellen ★

Ellen was nominated for Star of the week for her efforts with challenging herself in maths this week. She has tackled tricky problems with determination. I also noticed her cooperation and collaboration skills in English this week too.

Teacher Star of the Week - ★ India ★

It has been excellent to see India challenge herself with trickier maths work this week and develop her independence across her learning. Through our English work, she has also shown fantastic cooperation and collaboration skills when developing the story line and acting out a range of scenarios.

Well done to our stars.



Have a lovely weekend,  
Mrs Mori 😊