

THE EARLY YEARS ECHO

DISCOVERING OUR WORLD ONE DAY AT A TIME

June 2023

Beach School

During each Beach School session, children took part in implementing the benefit risk assessment, reinforcing rules and discussing how to keep safe during the session. The children were then given time to explore their surroundings and create castles using resources from our natural world. The children enjoyed using their senses to take in the world around them, watching and listening to the waves splash against the shore. At Beach School we stopped to look at the safety sign so that we knew the rules to keep us safe on the beach. As we walked down the steep steps, we held on to the railings to show we had followed our safety instructions. We also enjoyed building towers out of the stones and pebbles and using our mathematical knowledge to compare sizing!

"The water is so cold on my feet!"
– Charlotte

"I love feeling sand on my toes!"
– Carter

"I love coming to the beach when it's hot! It's like being on holiday!" – Isla

"I was throwing rocks really far into the sea!" - Teddy



Papier Mache!

The children are always eager to learn in the Science area whenever there is an experiment for them to do. The science area gives children lots of opportunities to progress in their learning and allows them to develop observational skills as well as be exposed to scientific vocabulary. It gives them lots of opportunities to develop conversational and debating skills and allows them to put across their own ideas and opinions. This week, the children have been using Paper Mache to create lantern decorations which we plan to display around the provision. We had so much fun... Although it did get a little messy!!

"All of the tissue is getting stuck to my fingers! It's too sticky because of the glue!" – Saul

"I've done this before with Mammy... It's getting very messy, it's all over my hands!" - Daisy

"I can't wait to see our decorations around the classroom!" - Isabella

"It's wet, where the kitchen roll is! It must be the sticky glue" - Layla

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

OUR LAST HALF TERM

EMERGING INTERESTS

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING
ABOUT

Outdoor Gardening!

Back in April we planted different seeds in our Poly Tunnel. Over the weeks, we have worked together to ensure our plants have been looked after correctly. We have ensured the plants have been watered and had plenty of sunlight in order for them to grow! Recently, we have noticed our plants getting bigger and bigger. We decided it was time to harvest them and use them in the provision to make pizzas!

“It’s getting really big now! – Harry

“I think we might need to pick them” – Gabriel

“Look at all of our vegetables!” – Aspen

“Wow look at how big this one is!” – Rayne



FUN IN THE SUN!

Over the last few weeks we have been enjoying the hot weather. We have had so much fun learning in the water and using paint brushes and water to paint on the paths outside. We have also discussed how to keep ourselves safe when we have hot weather. We discussed that we needed plenty of water to drink, to sit in the shade if we were too hot, and to ensure we had sun cream on!

“I’m too hot, I need to get a big drink and sit in the shade!” -

Ella

“We need sun cream on to protect our skin” - Daisy

“Wow, it’s so hot and the sun is shining!” – Norma-Rose

“I want to paint a rainbow with the water!” - Kitt

“The water is so cool!” - Oliver



HARVESTING THE CROP!

Recently, the children have enjoyed harvesting the herbs and vegetables in our very own poly-tunnel! We planted these back in April and have worked together to help them blossom and grow, ensuring they were well watered and exposed to plenty of sunlight. We researched what recipes we could follow using our ingredients; spring onions, parsley and spinach, the children were very keen to make their own pizzas! We talked about the importance of washing the vegetables and herbs, keeping safe using cutting equipment and around the hot oven. We followed a recipe online, measuring contents accurately using scales and jugs, we combined the ingredients to create a dough and passata, for the bases of our pizzas. We topped them with our freshly picked produce and enjoyed eating them at the end!

“You have to wash these to get all of the mud off them.” – Rose

“I bake with my daddy at home too! He lets me fry the eggs and sausages for breakfast!” – Andie

“Can I mix it in? I want to do it.” – Emilia

“The flour is really heavy!” – Effie



YOUR TRASH COULD BE OUR TREASURE!

We are on the look-out for the following items....

- Vehicles
- Small world animals/toys
- Home décor items
- Old clothing items (hats, jewelry, waistcoats, fur coats, shoes)
- Baby clothing/doll clothing
- Wooden dolls furniture (high chair)
- Photo frames
- Junk modelling

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6th July – BB Fest
10th July – transition day for full school
12th July – Sports Day (children only)

Library

The children have really enjoyed spending time in our library. They have loved having the independence of choosing their own books and exploring a range of genres.

Your child will be accessing the library on the days listed below, please ensure their sharing books are back in their book bag on these days.

Monday – Miss Simpson
Tuesday- Miss Atkinson
Thursday- Mrs. Lee

