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Year 1

Autumn Term 2022

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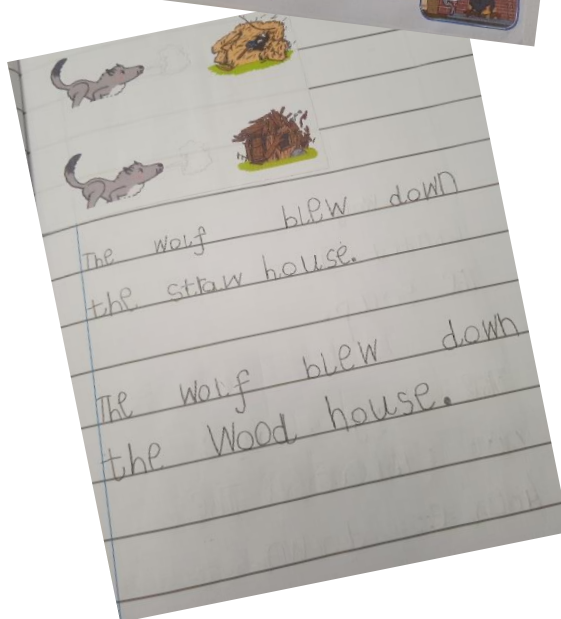
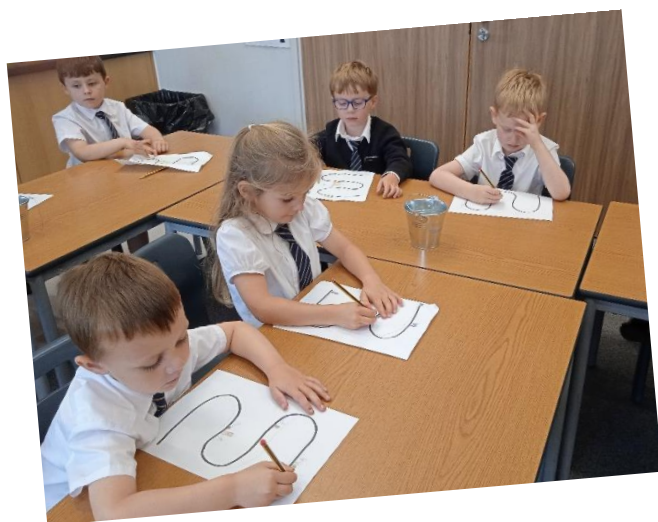
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Year 1 have been building up our writing skills this term. We started looking at the story of The Three Little Pigs, we sequenced the story and created story maps. We then looked at people who help us build a house and wrote sentences about all the different workers and the job they do.



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We have also been looking at writing instructions, we read a recipe for making chocolate crispy cakes, put the recipe in the correct order and then we used our DT skills for cooking and followed the recipe to make the crispy cakes. It was great fun the children's favourite part was eating them at the end.



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Year 1 have also been looking at Christmas in English as well. We started with making Christmas lists of which toys we would like which linked with our history topic 'Toys'. We then wrote letters to Santa and we had a special trip to Trelassick Gardens where we were lucky enough to meet Santa.



Maths

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Year 1 have spent most of this term looking at place value and addition and subtraction with 10. Before half term we focused on number formation every morning and making number bonds to 5 and 10. After half term they have been practicing their mental maths skills every morning, 4 days a week we complete our spiral maths questions which focus on these skills.

The first area Year 1 have covered in maths is place value within 10, this was done through sorting, counting and representing objects and counting objects from a larger group. Once we were confident with these skills we moved on to recognising numbers as words, counting forwards and backwards within 10, finding 1 more and 1 less and using a number line. We finally focused on comparing numbers and groups, ordering objects and numbers using fewer, more and the same to describe them and we looked at greater than, less than and equal to.



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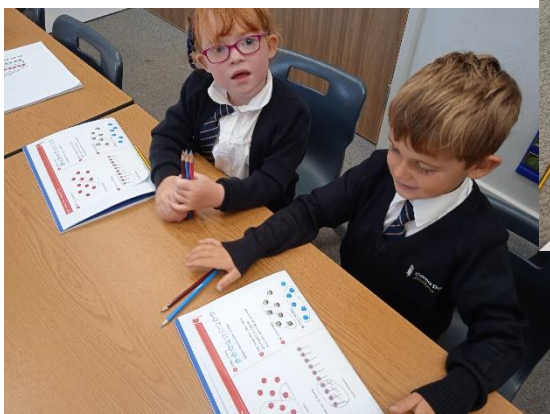
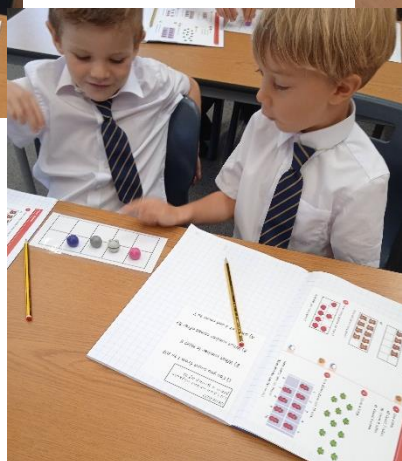
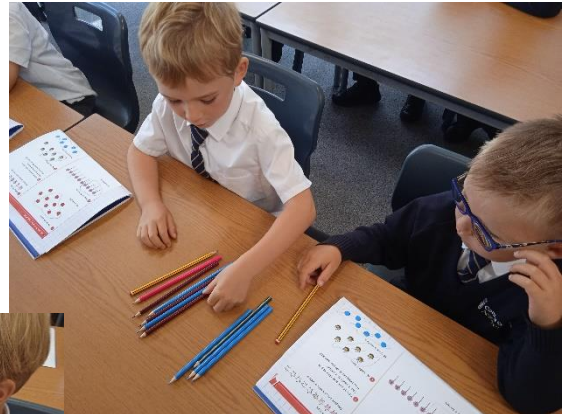
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For the second half term we have looked at addition and subtraction facts within 10 using part-whole models and our number bonds to help us. We looked at adding or subtraction 1 or 2, using a number line, finding a part and using crossing out to help us with subtraction sums. We finally spent some time before Christmas looking at shape we looked at different 2d and 3d shapes and making patterns with shapes.



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





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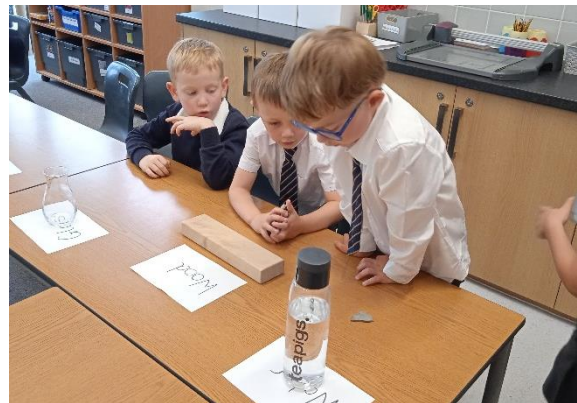
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Science

In science we have had a look at different materials, their properties and matching materials to the correct labels. We have also looked at what materials would be best for certain parts of a house, we decided rock is best for the walls and glass is best for the windows because it is waterproof and we can see through it. We have also looked at seasonal changes, we named the different seasons and focused on the changes that occur in autumn and winter. We took a particular interest in what we wear to school in the winter and created a tally chart to represent our class data.

What did you bring to school today?

		Tally	Total
	t-shirt	1	1
	shirt		25
	jumper		24
	coat		26
	scarf		0
	woolly hat		5
	sunhat		0
	shoes		26
	wellington boots		0
	umbrella		0



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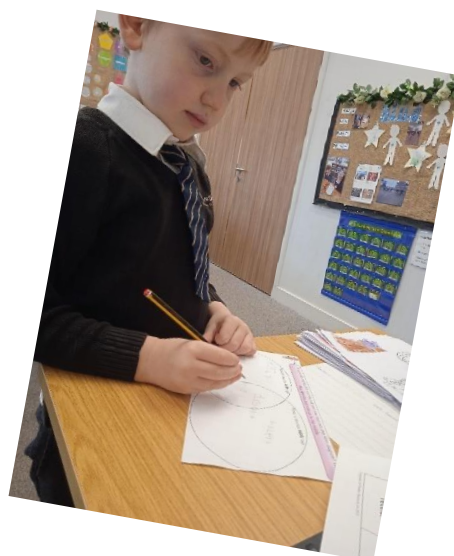
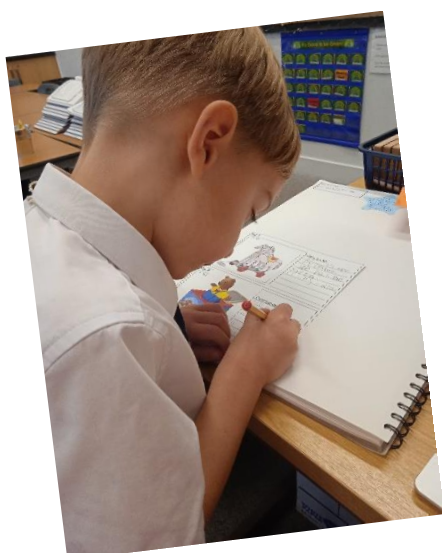
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In history we have been looking at toys past and present. We have compared toys from the past and present, spoke about our favourite toys and looked at different toys over the decades. As part of our history topic we had a trip to Penlee House and Museum and took part in an old toys workshop.



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Art and Design Technology

This term in art we have looked at how to use a paint brush correctly and how to create different paint strokes and patterns when using pencils and water colours. We have also used the story 'The Dot' in our art lessons to help us understand that anyone can be an artist. Year 1 have really enjoyed the freedom to be creative with our patterns and paint strokes.



In DT we have spent time looking at food, we designed our own fruit kebabs and then used our cutting skills to create these kebabs. We also used our DT



cooking skills in English to follow instructions and create chocolate crispy cakes.



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Music

In music this term we have enjoyed exploring different old school hip hop music, finding the pulse, responding to different rhythms and learning the song 'Hey You' as part of our Charanga music topics. We listened to 6 different songs explaining whether or not we liked the piece of music, we then listed all the different instruments we could hear, the style of music and how it had been put together. We have also been really busy leading up to Christmas learning all the songs for our nativity play 'Christmas with the aliens'.



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PSHE

This term in PSHE we have studied the SCARF units 'Me and my relationships' and 'Valuing difference'. We have looked at classroom rules, listening, feelings, what makes good friends, same and different, unkind, tease or bully, our special people and made special people balloons.



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PE

In PE this term we started with looking at different ways of jumping, making sure we bent our knees on take-off and landing and swinging our arms to help us jump high or propel forward, we then looked at skipping. The second half term we used our jumping skills in gymnastics, we looked at travelling narrow and wide and jumping narrow and wide from different heights. We also took part in a cheerleading session at school.



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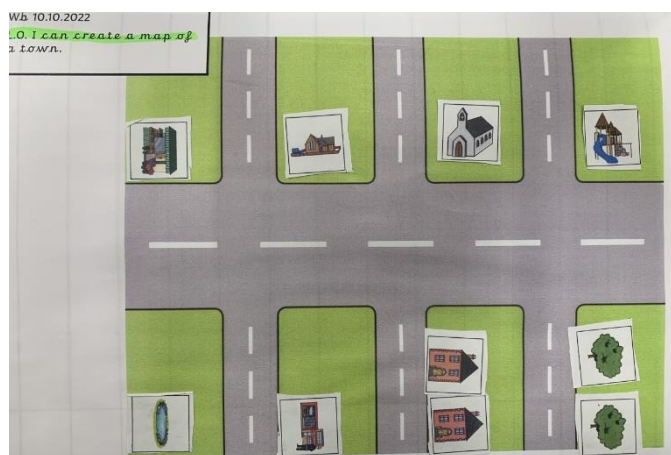
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Geography

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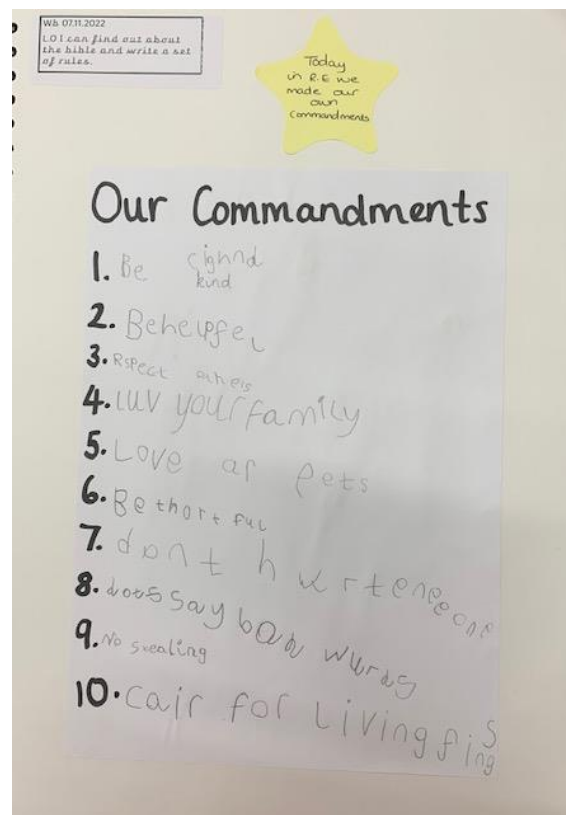
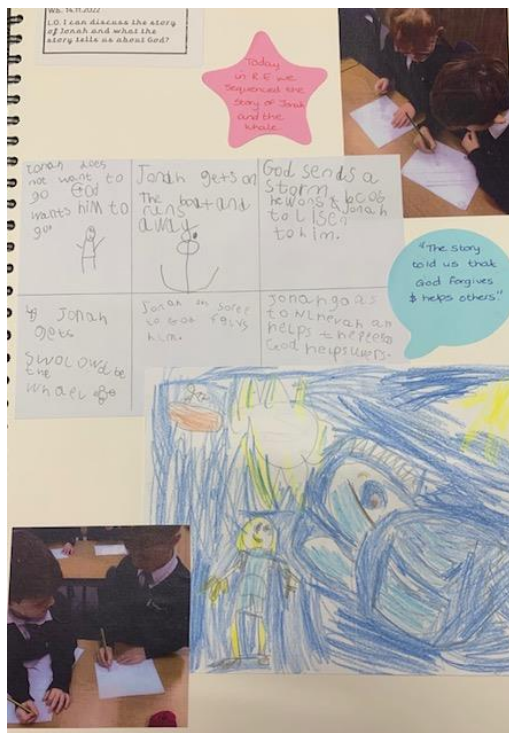
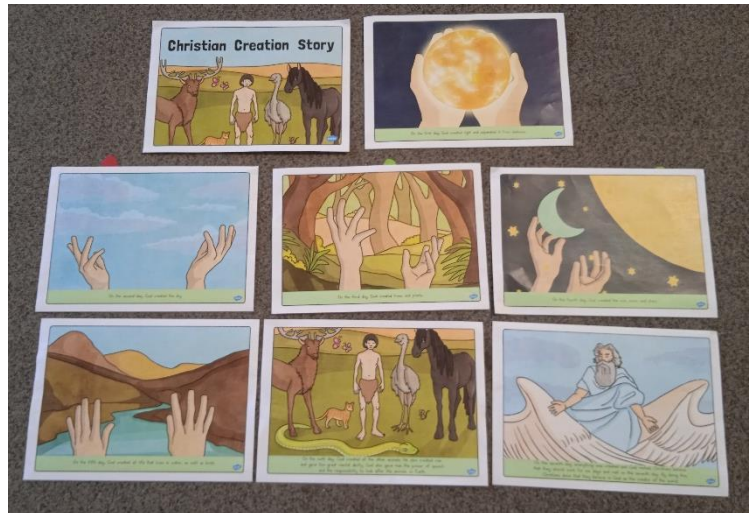
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RE

This term in RE we have been looking at Christianity. We looked at the story of Creation and sequenced it, we looked at the Bible and commandments and made our own commandments. We have also looked at the story of Jonah and the Whale and what this story means to Christians.



Outdoor Learning

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We have been very lucky to have Mr Turnham visit us twice in Year 1 this term. We looked at how to make a fire safely and toasted marshmallows and how to create hot chocolate over the fire.



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