

READY STEADY GO

Starters parent update

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Dear parents,

The focuses for the past two weeks were Communication & language: Understanding and Mathematics.

Draw a circle in the air

The children scoured the nursery for shapes and discovered that they can be used for many different purposes. They meticulously combed the tactile tray searching for 2-D shapes, feeling for corners, sides and edges hidden among the oats. Familiar shapes were used to make new things, such as ladybirds and caterpillar collages made from different-sized circles. At circle time, the children used their knowledge of shape, size and pattern to match pairs of odd socks. Finally, they put their shape knowledge to the test by naming which ones they spotted in soft-play.

Shoes on sale

The RSG shoe shop opened its doors every morning to a flood of eager customers. The children browsed the shelves and tried on different kinds of shoes — wellington boots, flip flops, crocs, trainers and slippers. Some were too small, and some were too big, but others were just right. The shopkeepers processed purchases and wrapped the new shoes up carefully before counting out change for their customers.

Fly away butterfly

Our cocoons finally hatched and surprise, surprise, out came some beautiful butterflies. Everyone was excited to go out into the garden and watch them fly away. It was a special moment for the children who have watched each fantastic stage from egg to caterpillar and cocoon to butterfly.

Starters and the beanstalks

As the butterflies flew out into the world, the children started a new project: growing their own beans. They carefully selected a bean, placed it in cotton wool and added a little water. Each day they observed the changes to their plants as they moved through their lifecycle — from forming roots to sprouting. Perhaps unsurprisingly, Jack And The Beanstalk was a favourite story this week.

The Starters team