

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



Leatherhead



Weekly outdoor learning with
Woodland Forest School

Friday, 20 January

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Message from the Head Teacher

Another exciting week! Reception have been on their travels to the Arctic and Antarctic, Yr.I have become real scientists experimenting with materials and becoming wizards on the laptops, Rising Reception have been visiting familiar Nursery Rhymes with super renditions coming from their rooms while First Steps thought about the places they would like to visit, the park seemed the most popular place they like to go. Sandwiches of their choice were made which they would like to eat on a picnic.

We had a visit from our Assistant Director of Education, James Carroll, from Cognita this week who sat in on lessons talking and working with the children. He had a fabulous time and was so pleased with the standard of work the children were producing "I had to remind myself I was in a Year 1 class and not Year 2, the depth of knowledge was amazing" Well done everyone.

Gill Brooks

Don't forget...

- On Tuesday Year 1 are visiting The National Gallery and will need a packed lunch
- On Wednesday Mrs Potter will host a coffee morning for First Steps parents from 8.50 am
- On Wednesday Year 1 are visiting Downsend for a Technology morning.
- We are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. The collection box is in the front entrance.

Rising Reception

In RRAH this week we have been thinking about nursery rhymes which feature small creatures. We made lambs with puffy paint and did some great shape cutting to make mice to run up the clock. Our role play area has been turned into a pet shop which has had lots of eager customers!



The children in RRLC have enjoyed making shape mice and clocks for the rhyme Hickory Dickory Dock.





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Golden Board

Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special Assembly every Thursday.

ISB – Tileena Tribe

IVL – Eleanor Mickle

IAH – The Whole Class

RCM – Elizabeth Arbutova

RJE – Alexander Case

RAG – Luca Favero

Car Park

During morning drop off the car park is becoming congested and dangerous. The car park must only be used for dropping off your child to be taken in by the staff on duty at the front door. If you wish to walk your child in to school, please park elsewhere.

Year 1

Year 1 made mini beasts this week, linking their recent science topics and art and learning to use tools and combine different materials.



Some of the children made houses from paper, straws and blocks to find out which is the strongest and tested materials to find out which is the most waterproof.



Events for week commencing 23 January

Tues 24	Year 1 visit the National Gallery
Wed 25	First Steps Coffee Morning Year 1 Technology Morning at the Prep School

Inspiring young minds