

Foundation

This week, the children have been thinking about our world. We have listened to creation stories from a variety of cultures and have written the Christian version. We looked at Google Earth to find St Faith's, as well as looking at other places around the world. The children also turned their bottles and boxes into a variety of instruments.

The Hedgehogs and the Squirrels visited the wild place this week and had fun climbing trees and cooking in our mud kitchen. Remember to check the VLE for photos of what the children get up to in the Wild Place!

In Maths, this week we have been naming and sorting 2D and 3D shapes. The children have learnt that a 3D shape is any shape you can hold, whereas a 2D shape can only be drawn. They then sorted 3D shapes based on different properties, such as whether they roll or slide. To continue this learning at home, we would like you to build towers with your child using 3D shapes of different sizes (cubes, cylinders (cans, tubes), cones, prisms etc). Questions you may like to ask include:

- Can you balance this flat block on these three cones? What if they're in a straight line? What if you squash them together?
- Could you build with only cylinders? Is there a way you can/can't build with cylinders?
- How could you make your tower taller?
- I wonder if we could stack two shapes like this on top of each other?
- Which blocks would you use to make a very big tower?
- What would happen if we turned that block the other way up, would it make the tower any different?

A gentle reminder; in order to increase the children's independence ready for Year 1, we would like them to carry their own book-bags into the classrooms at the start of the day and, with the help of the Foundation staff, empty them.

Next Wednesday, FVH will be leading their class assembly. Parents with children in FVH are invited to join us in Ashburton Hall at 08:35. The assembly will be over by 09:00

Also, as the weather is changeable, please ensure the children have jumpers, coats, wellies and sunhats in school every day.

The Foundation Team