



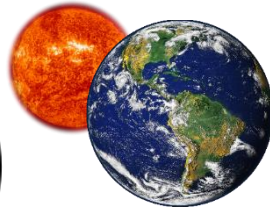
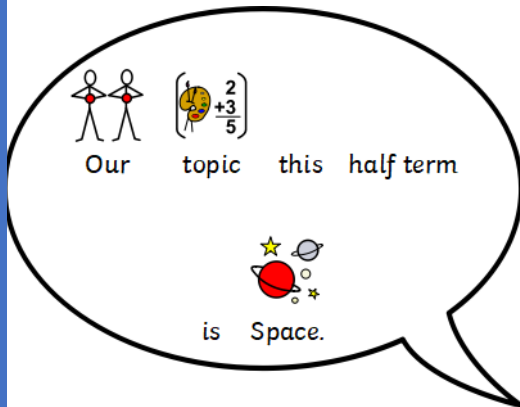
## Our Learning Journey So Far



of learning.

A big warm hello and welcome from Larches and Poplars classes. We very pleased and excited to see you all back at school. The children have tried really hard to follow the new rules in school and are adapting to a new way

Let's take a look at what Larches and Poplars have been up to so far...



The children have had lots of fun learning about our topic 'Space'. We have been looking at planet Earth and have enjoyed learning key facts about our planet.

### We know that:

- Earth is the third planet from the sun.
- Earth is the fifth largest planet.
- Earth is home to planets, animals and humans.
- It takes a year for the Earth to rotate around the sun.
- Earth is about 4.5 billion years old.
- Earth has one moon, which is held in orbit by gravity.

**Acers** class have had a fabulous start to the Autumn term! It has been wonderful having all of the children back in school, they have settled back into life at Langley and have been very busy with their new topics. In Science we have been learning all about rocks and fossils and they have even created some of their very own fossils. In History the children have been learning all about the Stone Age. The children have been really lucky and have forest schools on a Wednesday afternoon and have been having so much fun! They have been creating their very own bird feeders.



### Forest School

Forest school sessions are up and running and all the classes involved this half term are really enjoying their time outside. The children have really impressed with how well they have adapted to the new rules to keep us safe and are using the three

handwashing stations sensibly. Please check out the news section on our new website (follow the link below) where the Forest School blog is now located. These are updated every week with lots of photos.

<http://www.langley.bham.sch.uk/web/news>

### **Cedars**

Cedars have worked hard the past few weeks getting to know the new rules and their new class at school. We have been playing lots of games getting to know our new friends.

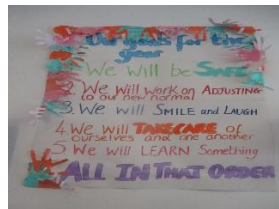
We have been learning about the colour monster story which has helped us to learn the names of some colours and different emotions.'

### **Maples**

Over the past four weeks, Maples have looked at three stories; 'The Colour Monster' and talked about feelings, 'Collin and Lee, Carrot and Pea' naming and describing characters, and we are currently looking at some visual literacy through the short film 'The Bridge'. The children have been practising their mark making and letter formation skills whilst exploring their understanding of pictures through colourful semantics. We have also been looking at number, counting, more/less and number formation. In addition to this, the children have been learning the new school routines, turn taking skills and about making good choices. We regularly use the roof terrace and the sensory room to further develop their skills.

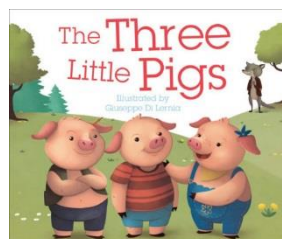
### **Willows**

The children have started back with thinking about what we need to do to stay safe and happy at school. We have been practising lots of hand washing, social distancing and making friends with our bubble buddies. We made a fabulous poster.



### **Rowans**

The children in Rowans have been learning about the seasons in particular autumn. We are also learning about the traditional tale The Three Little Pigs.

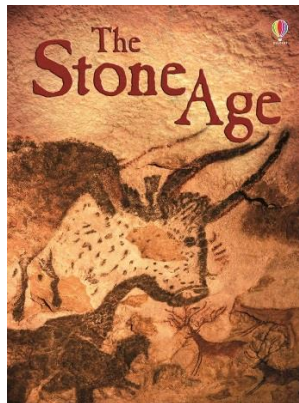


## **Firs/Oaks News September 2020**

It has been lovely to welcome back some familiar children and meet some new faces in Firs/Oaks class. We have been getting to know our staff and friends and settling into the school environment as most of us have had a very long break! Our focus this term is 'All About Me'; we have enjoyed messy play, foot spas, yoga and movement sessions, to name but a few, and had lots of opportunities to explore our learning environment, the resources available to us and practice our communication skills. We have the opportunity to visit the forest once every fortnight, where Mrs Smith has extended our learning to the outdoor environment. We are learning turn taking skills through play skills sessions and intensive interaction and are looking forward to beginning our HandyPac and TACPAC sessions when we can interact at closer range. We have enjoyed looking at pictures of ourselves and our friends, trying to find our names and making collage pictures of our school uniform. We have also enjoyed digging for numbers, making and completing puzzles and counting objects. We particularly enjoyed playing the big drum one afternoon where we listened to 'start/stop' instructions...it was very noisy but great fun!

## **Beeches**

Beeches have been busy working hard in science learning about Mary Anning and how she discovered fossils. In topic we have also been exploring the Stone Age and how they used to live.



We would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who tried really hard support their child's learning at home using our online platform 'Seesaw'. Please let us know if you are having difficulties accessing 'Seesaw' and we will try and help resolve these issues.

We hope you and your families are safe and well. We look forward to sharing more of our learning updates with you.