

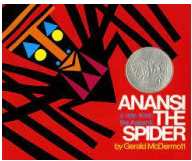
World Book Week – March 2023



Brilliant! Great fun! Enjoyable! These are the words said by children during and after our World Book Day 'Once upon a time' themed day. As a change, we asked the children (and staff) to come dressed as their favourite word. It was a joy to see the richness of our language displayed on the children as well as their creativity in making their word come to life!



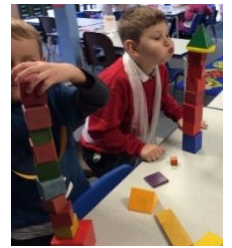
Our school really came into its own displaying many values but particularly Outreach as this was the first occasion this academic year for vertical learning as the children worked together in their Houses. Owl Class stepped up as leaders ensuring that the younger members were included in every activity.



Children heard the African/Caribbean traditional tale of the mischievous spider Anansi leading them on to making African drums and silhouette puppets.



Building skills were required when children learnt about the Three Little Pigs. Children could choose their resources before being tested on the big bad hairdryer! It was lovely to see the older children focussed on simple tasks such as building with bricks – something they may not have done for some time.



After re-enacting the Enormous Turnip using drama, children were tasked in putting in action the working together ethic seen in the story along with the pulling skills! They were tasked in their mixed groups to see how long they could stretch a Curly Wurly. This was a tough task as they had to handle chocolate and caramel but not one Curly Wurly touched their lips! After a set time, each group had their not so curly or wurlys measured; two groups managed to exceed three metres! One child said how proud he was of his leadership skills as he was making sure everyone could stretch it.



Rapunzel was renowned for her long hair and children were able to recreate her tresses with finger knitting. Nimble fingers were needed!



After lunch we made our very own Aston Rowant dictionary where children all lined up in alphabetical order ensuring we could all see each other's words.



We also enjoyed participating in a book swap where children brought in a book they had finished reading and swapped them with a new one.

In addition to the children enjoying the day, the staff did too and it wouldn't have been such a success without their excellent activities and support throughout the day.