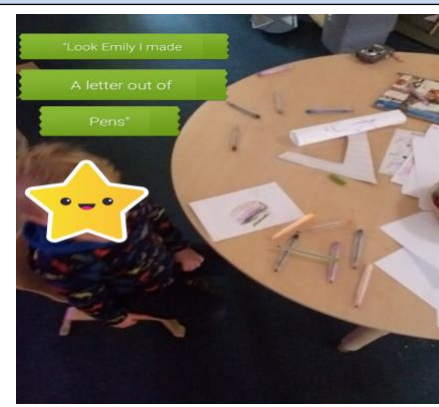


PRE-SCHOOL

Last week as part of our Wanderlust: A Nature Study Programme we spoke about rocks, we looked at how they are formed and made and the different types of rocks.

We had lots of activities using big movements to help and support dealing with children's angry emotions.

We celebrated World Book Day, we spoke to the children to hear what their favourite stories are and read some lovely stories throughout the session.



Smacking

We have heard some children talk about smacking and being smacked.

Smacking is not something we at Pre-School would advise, recommend or condone; There are better ways of helping your child with their behaviour, how to understand it and make good choices. Any marks on your child is a physical safeguarding concern.

Smacking is not against the law in England, however it is unlawful to smack unless it amounts to reasonable punishment, any scratches, bruising, marks etc left on your child after a smack would mean you have committed common assault.

This link explains more about the consequences of smacking not only for you but for your child.

<https://childlawadvice.org.uk/information-pages/the-law-on-smacking-children/>

For ways of helping your child with their behaviour without turning to smacking or corporal punishment please do look at the links below.

Helping children to understand their feelings and emotions, setting rules and boundaries, choices and consequences will help your child understand and manage their behaviour.

Please check out our safeguarding policy on our website.

<https://www.familylinks.org.uk/resources-for-parents>

<https://www.nurseryworld.co.uk/features/article/behaviour-boundaries>

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/article/the-importance-of-boundaries-and-consequences-for-children>

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Dates for your Diary (please check Newsletters and online Notice Board for updates)

March 31st End of term Pre-School closes at 12.30pm, Easter Holidays start

April 17th Term 5 starts

Monday 8th May Bank Holiday for King Charles Coronation, Pre-School Closed

Friday 26th May Term Ends 3.30pm

Half term Holiday 29th May – 2nd June