

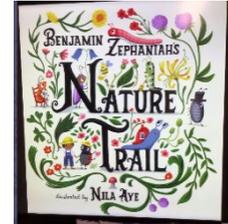


Willow Class Summer 2



This term has been a jammed pack one with lots of extra fun activities going on. We have had our wonderful school production where Willow class were impressive chickens, sports day, a visit to the church, Willow's class trip to Ulverscroft Manor, transition mornings and our own Wilderness Explores Day.

Willow class have read some great books during this term to base their English work around. We read *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* where the children role-played, sequenced and wrote all about the hungry caterpillar. We also looked at an amazing poetry book 'Nature Trail' by Benjamin Zephaniahs. The children loved the illustrations and were inspired to create their own garden pictures. Another favourite was *Jack and the Beanstalk* and they produced some super sentences about how the beanstalk changed his mood at the end of the story.



In Maths this term EYFS have learnt about patterns, capacity and number bonds. Year 1 have been looking at money, time and place value to 100.

Willow class have been super creative in Art and Design and Technology this term.

In Art the children have learnt how to draw various minibeasts and have learnt techniques to make fabulous creatures out of clay. In DT they have designed and made their own fruit kebabs to take as a snack on our expedition during our Wilderness Explorers Day.



In Science the children have learnt about our environment: looking for the first signs of summer, how trees are changing and all about minibeasts and their habitats. They have been on identification hunts and found some 'interesting' creatures!

Willow class had a great day at our Wilderness Explorers Day – they all came fully prepared to go on an expedition (to the park) We built dens, cooked food on a campfire, made healthy snacks and went on a mammoth bug hunt.



Wilderness Explorers has been a wonderful topic to end this school year. The children have had so much fun learning all about the natural environment and exploring what they might find on a nature safari. They enjoyed the Wilderness Explorers' hut and the many bug hunts and nature safari's we went on.