

RAINBOW CLASS

AUTUMN A 2023



We have just had the most amazing start to school life in Rainbow Class, doing lots of fabulous things. As you can see from our 'First Day of School' photo, everyone was so excited. There is always so much to explore and find out. Our first topic has been 'All About Me' and everyone made a clay self portrait which has now been turned into a delightful art installation. We used one of our circle time sessions to get to know one another and talked about our families and how they help us. We shared our favourite family recipes and made some shortbread biscuits using Mrs Eaves' Nan's recipe.

Living in a rural community, we have many ties to agriculture and the seasons. We have been learning about the harvest and what it means to us. The whole class went on a nature walk round the school grounds and took time to listen and look at what was happening in nature. We collected lots of natural objects which we sorted into groups. Everyone enjoyed producing some 'conker art' using autumn coloured paint. We rolled the conkers through paint in a tray creating some truly wonderful pieces of art. We were lucky enough to join 108,000 other children in a live Harvest lesson hosted by the NFU. One of our questions which we submitted was read out and answered on live TV! Our Literacy lessons have allowed us to focus on many



Autumn/Harvest themed books. After reading the 'Little Red Hen', we made our own bread rolls which we took home to share with our families.



Whilst enjoying the amazing weather for this time of year, we have been doing lots of learning through play in our huge outdoor environment. This includes, role play in our luxurious summerhouse, jammin sessions in our African music hut, constructing obstacle courses out of wood and crates and investigating capacity in our spacious sand pit and multiple water trays.



As part of the EYFS curriculum, we have been learning about Christianity and stories from the bible. We walked to the village church and was welcomed by the vicar who explained a little about the church. We had time to investigate inside, looking at the many artefacts.

The start of this half term has been a real voyage of adventure and excitement as we have implemented a new reading programme, Little Wandle. This has given us the opportunity to replace all our old reading books with high quality publications and given us a new modern focus on reading and writing based on research and development.

