# Sylvester Primary Academy

# Early Years Newsletter

Spring Term- 1st March 2024



## Nursery Class

In nursery this week we have been practising our counting, number recognition and subitising (1-3) skills. We have played a magic been counting game, a number fishing game and identified lots of different numerals on the hop sketch rocket in the playground.

As part of our work on Jack and the Beanstalk we made 3D junk model castles and used them in our small world role play activities. We practised our scissor skills by cutting wool to make the giant's beard. In the garden we planted potatoes and in class we planted bean and pea seeds. For our mark making activity we drew big beanstalks! We also played a game of 'silly soup'! We had to find all of the 's' objects to make our soup!

# **Reception Class**

This week we have been reading a book called 'The Extraorindary Gardener'. We have discussed how we can make our community better and talked about how having natural plants and time outdoors is good for us. We also talked about how we need to be responsible for our community e.g. recycling and ensuring we do not drop litter. In Maths we have been counting amounts and combining them. We have then looked at how these are organised on a 'ten frame'.

Why not try some of these activities...

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/underwater-counting

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/ladybird-spots

#### **Key Dates:**

World Book Day: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. The children are not dressing up this year but are encouraged to bring their favourite book into school. (Names in books please!)

## Reminders:

Please ensure all items of uniform are clearly labelled. As you can imagine with young children jumpers/cardigans are easily misplaced and it is very difficult to get them back to the right person without names on them.

Just a reminder no nut products to be brought into school this includes Nutella products.