

## Early Years News Update 19/1/2018

This week the children have been learning all about different birds found in the garden. Early Years have enjoyed discussing the similarities and differences between the birds. The children have been busy painting their own pictures of a range of garden birds and have tried really hard to look at the shape and colour of the birds.

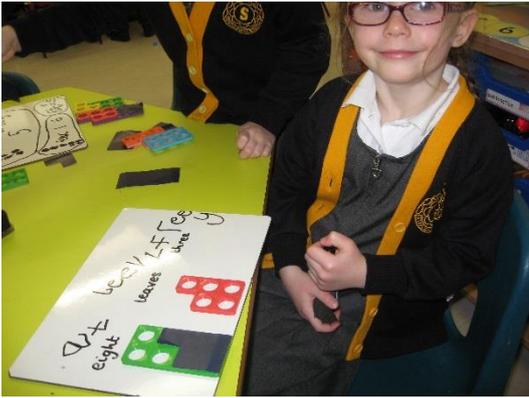


During exploring time some of the children used pipe cleaners and cereal to make bird feeders, we looking forward to hanging them up in our garden next week!



In Maths this week we have revisited 'Length' and the children have had lots of fun measuring different objects around the classroom using cubes! We have also introduced 'Subtraction', using the language 'takeaway' and 'leaves'. The children listened to the story 'Ten Seeds' and verbalised the subtraction number sentence at the end of each page, for example "10 takeaway 1 leaves us with 9".





During 'Plan Do and Review' (PDR) this week we were really impressed with some of the box models some of the children made. It is really lovely to see the children begin to develop their own ideas.

We have two new additions to our role play area this week, a hairdressers and a shoe shop! The children have had a wonderful time exploring these areas. If you have any old shoes that family members have grown out of and you are thinking about getting rid of them, we would greatly appreciate any donations. We are keen to grow our stock of shoes!



Next weekend is the 'Big Garden Birdwatch 2018' which is organised by the NSPB. If you are interested in taking part and would like to find out more information, please visit the website link: [https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/?channel=paidsearch&qclid=EAlaIqobChMI9amN4azk2AIVzLftCh3oEgOhEAAYASAAEgKkp\\_D\\_BwE](https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/?channel=paidsearch&qclid=EAlaIqobChMI9amN4azk2AIVzLftCh3oEgOhEAAYASAAEgKkp_D_BwE)

We have printed off a bird watching recording sheet for each child, which we will give out next Friday, with a few bird related activities you might like to do at home.

### **Next week**

On Friday it is our Early Years assembly at 9:00am, we would love to see as many parents and carers as possible. At the end of the assembly you are more than welcome to stay for a cup of tea/coffee and have a look at your child's learning journal in the classroom. We would ask that if you are bringing younger siblings that you remain in the hall and we will send your child out with their work to show you, this will help us avoid overcrowding in the classrooms.