

Nursery End of Week

Planning for today 05.11.20

Today we had planned to use the leaves and items we had collected on our walk across the school field before the half term break.

Read/listen to the story LeafMan by Lois Ehlert

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YvAK2hxNFrY>

Go out into your garden, street, park and collect some different leaves (remember to be careful when picking up that you don't pick up anything you wouldn't want to!)

Explore and investigate the different colours of leaves, shapes, textures. Are some crunchy? Can you find a large leaf? How about a tiny leaf? What other items can you find? (Explain to children that we must never put anything in our mouths that we find – 'no picky, no licky, no sicky'. We must always wash our hands after touching and collecting items from outside)

Once you have collected a range of different leaves, twigs, petals, etc bring them inside and look at them in more detail. Can you match them up by shape, size, colour, etc. Lots of different learning opportunities are available within this activity. How many leaves have you found? Let's count them. What different colours can you see? Which stick is the longest? Can you sort them in length order-smallest to longest?

Watch this little clip as next you can make your very own Leafman picture.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BWn_kYORnWA

Take a photo of it and send it into school and it may make it onto our website or Instagram page.

As today is also Bonfire Night, we always have discussions with safety over fireworks and sparklers. Always stay with their adult/parent. Never pick up a sparkler up off the floor. Keep them at arms length when using them. If afraid of using a sparkler, sometimes wearing gloves helps, or putting the sparkler into a carrot helps small hands holding them.

However, using sparklers is a great way of making marks in the air and so much fun. Can you make large circles; zig zags side to side and up and down? Make a long wavy line.

Have a lovely day and evening playing in and exploring nature together.

Mrs Lee, Mrs Young and Mrs Davies