

What a wonderful half-term it's been in Acorn Class! In our first learning journey, we explored the topic of 'seasons', discovering how the world around us changes throughout the year. The children loved creating their very own season wheels, which will help us keep track of the seasons in the classroom, and the Year 1 children made non-fiction booklets full of fascinating seasonal facts.

Our second learning journey was 'memories', and it was lovely to see the children sharing photos from home and reflecting on how much they've grown since they were little. We also decided on creative ways to share our special memories, which sparked some brilliant conversations and storytelling.

This term, we have been focusing on our determination, working hard to grow our class flower by adding examples of how we've shown determination at school—whether by trying something new, sticking with a tricky task, or helping a friend.

As we look ahead to the new year, Acorn Class is excited to begin our next learning journey about 'materials'! This topic will help us explore the different materials we encounter in our everyday lives, from wood and metal to fabric and plastic. Through hands-on activities, the children will become little scientists, learning to observe, question, and draw conclusions about the world around them. We can't wait to see their curiosity and problem-solving skills! Well done, Acorn Class, for all your hard work and resilience this term!



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Well, the Acorns have had wind, rain and ice during their Forest School sessions this half term. It's definitely moved on from autumn to winter, with the leaves falling off the trees fairly quickly this year. We have been busy collecting them up to create various pieces of art, poppies for Remembrance Day and beautiful firework pictures. We have also been preparing for Christmas by making leaf Christmas trees and wood cookie Santa decorations. Looking to next half term we will be enriching the children's classroom learning experience -finding out about different materials, their properties and testing out creations we have built to find out whether they will float!







