

Learning Journal 12.6.15

What a lovely warm and sunny week. We had a big surprise today when we received a letter from an alien in outer space called Grunge. He told us all about his planet and we wrote back to tell him all about planet Earth. His letter looked very exciting and we loved writing to him and drawing what we thought his planet Xanobia might look like.



Xanobia by Stella

Ralph painted Xanobia's lava and volcanoes.



Grunge with lots of arms and legs.





Olivia's fantastic chalk picture of Grunge

We think Grunge is a very friendly alien and we discussed how one day we might be able to visit other planets.

In maths we have been learning to solve sums with missing numbers.

E.g.: $6 \square = 8$

This was tricky but we all made good progress and have done addition and subtraction. It is really important to understand number sentences in this way as this is the very first step towards learning algebra in later life.

Some children took this further to work with numbers to 20 and even higher as they worked so hard!

Now the wind has died down we have been working hard outside on our cricket skills. This week we were practising throwing the ball to the wickets and fielding it. Everyone was brilliant at following instructions and throwing and catching. Mr Jackson was really pleased with our progress.



In tennis, we played with racquets and balls working hard on hand eye coordination and watching the ball really carefully all the time.



Brilliant catching skills!



And good concentration balancing the ball!

We also had fun making playdough aliens with lots of arms and legs and making playdough numbers. We moved outside as much as possible and did our paintings and water play out on the Splash yard. What a fantastic week! Well done everyone.

Please can you put all-day sun cream on your children before they arrive at school. It impacts greatly on teaching time to supervise all of the children putting on sun cream in the morning. If they want to bring some cream to top up at lunchtime, it should be named and kept in their drawer. Staff are not allowed to apply sun cream. We

do not want to take children outside when they are inadequately protected from the sun. Thank you for your support with this as we want to safeguard all of our children.

