## Learning Journal 6.10.17

This week....we have had lots of exciting fun out of doors. We enjoyed a fabulous wood work day with Henry when we made a mud kitchen and a play table for our outdoor area. Henry helped us hold the drill and measure the wood, and we hammered in lots and lots of nails. This was great for hand eye co-ordination and we had to work really hard to get them right into the wood.

At woodland workshop we had an amazing conker harvest with hundreds of shiny and beautiful conkers. We had a great afternoon sorting all our autumn finds and opening all the conker cases.



















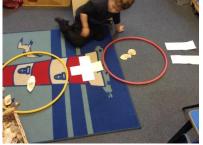
## Literacy and Phonics

We know lots of sounds now in reception and we are using these in our writing. This week we have written a diary about our weekend and all about healthy food choices. There are also lots of written shopping lists and labels and cards and letters happening as we use our writing skills around the classroom. Our nursery children also write and although their letters are not so well formed, they always know what they have written and their writing is precious to them and to us.

Mathematics: counting, addition and weighing challenges have kept us all very busy this week as we used the balances to weigh lots of different things, added together groups of toys and objects to find a total an counted very carefully, touching one object every time we said a number.







Other news.....we have used foamy soap to practise our letter formation, we have made playdough and shaped it into a plate of healthy food, we painted our food with all the correct colours, we made cakes and pies with stones and crab apples and sand, we fished from the boat with willow sticks, we sang something every day and read lots of stories and we used pretty scarves to make shapes and play games in PE in our new hall. No wonder you are telling me your children are tired by the end of the week!!!!





Next Week.....hats and gloves would be good on Thursday as the wind is chilly and we are out for a long time.

Help at Home......practise careful counting, moving each object as you count it. You can count anything.....grapes, toys, knives and forks etc. Try some simple calculations...'if grandma comes for tea how many spoons will we need.'