## **Squirrel Class**

## What Squirrels have been up to this half term...

Squirrels have been learning lots of new sounds in phonics and practising writing patterns and letters during handwriting. We have sung lots of songs to help us learn the sounds and played many different games when building words such as 'Silly Soup,' 'Crossing the River,' and 'Jumping Bean Bags.'

In Literacy we have learned about Rosie's Walk and The Little Red Hen. We have been creating story maps and using our writing to help label parts of the map. We made our own stories, acted them out and even had a visit from a real hen, who we named Rosie.

We have been looking at numbers 0-5. Recognising them, ordering them and practising writing them. We have used lots of resources to help us including numicon, number lines, numbered eggs and animals from the farm.

During topic sessions we have painted chickens and turnips, explored the Farmers Market, collected flour from the mill (sand play) and even built our own tractors and chicken coops.

During RE we thought carefully about Christian beliefs and values. We listened to the story of 'Feeding the 5000' and spoke about the many miracles Jesus performed. We have begun to talk about why Christians celebrate Christmas and we thought about Jesus as a baby. We looked at photos of ourselves as babies to help understand that we were all the same to begin with.





