

Classroom News



Class Name: Skipton

Term : Autumn 1 2025

Topic: Knowing me, Knowing you!

What's been going on?

We cannot believe that we are at the end of Autumn Term 1! Skipton Class have settled into new routines well and have impressed staff with their enthusiasm and positive attitudes towards learning.

In English, the class have been listening to a range of engaging fiction stories, developing their comprehension skills by answering "Who?", "Doing what?", and "What?" type questions. Some of their favourite books have included *Supertato* by Sue Hendra, *Aliens Love Underpants* by Claire Freedman, and *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle. Alongside story time, they've been busy practising their writing, phonics and enjoying regular visits to the library, where they've had the opportunity to choose their own books to explore back in the classroom.

During Maths, the class have been developing their understanding of number through a variety of engaging activities. They've been working on number order, rote counting, and counting quantities with increasing confidence. We've also been learning the days of the week and the months of the year — and the class is now impressively quick at recalling all the months in order! After the break, we'll be moving on to more and less and addition and subtraction.

In our Topic lessons, we've been learning all about ourselves by exploring our likes and dislikes. The children have used Clicker sentence boards to help them write about their favourite colours, their birth month, and whether they enjoyed the desserts they made during cooking sessions. It's been a wonderful way to build confidence in expressing personal preferences and practicing early writing skills.

During our Play and Leisure sessions, the class have been developing key social skills such as listening, sharing, and turn-taking. They've worked beautifully together to create a vibrant *Very Hungry Caterpillar* collage, which is now proudly displayed in our classroom. We've also been practicing transitions — learning how to move calmly and confidently between different spaces, including the school woods, hydro pool, field and minibus.

We were extremely proud of how well the class behaved on our recent trip to The Corn Exchange to watch *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* show.

Here are some of the children's comments:

George said, "It was fun! I had a great time!"

Lewis said, "I liked the sound of the caterpillar eating the fruit".

Leo said, "My favourite puppet was the dog".

Jessica said, "I liked going on the minibus".

James said, "I liked it when the caterpillar came out of the cocoon as a butterfly".

Hunter said, "I enjoyed watching the story Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?"

Have a wonderful half term.

The Skipton Team

Some photos of our learning



Dates & Points to remember:

Term 1 ends – 24th October

Term 2 starts – 3rd November

Term 2 ends – 18th December