

17 January 2025 (Spring Term Week 2)

Principal's Blog

Read Mr Wilding's new blog for this week: ["Everything that needs to be said has already been said. But since no-one was listening, everything must be said again". André Gide](#)

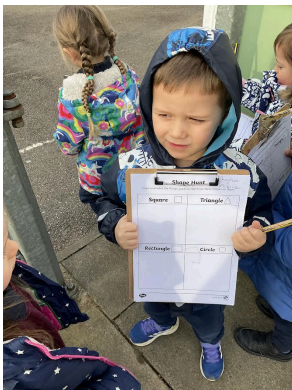
The Court Report 2022-24

We invite you to read the Court Report covering the past two year's highlights across the school [-https://bit.ly/4qNJChn](https://bit.ly/4qNJChn)

Parent Survey

As expected of independent schools within the UK, we are required both to complete surveys by the Department for Education and the Independent Schools Council (ISC) at this time of year. In addition, we also make use of the Independent Schools Inspectorate questionnaire to survey the views of our own parents and guardians, and we keep to the same format (with some minor tweaks as requested in previous surveys) so we can compare year on year the views and contributions that surface during the survey. The survey will be sent early next week and will be open until Friday 31 January 8pm, after which we will take stock and check then use that feedback to aid our plans for the future.

The children continued their exploration with flat 2D shapes this week. By physically engaging with shape; holding it, creating it and talking about it, children absorb more and retain more.



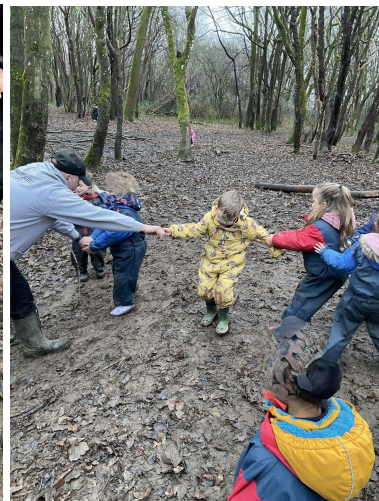


The children were fascinated by the tessellation of a hexagon which moved onto the shape of honeycomb and finally to making some honey and cinnamon biscuits.



Forest School

The first week back at Forest School and all the children, including those new to our outdoor fun, enjoyed exploring.



Bumble Bees have been reading the book 'Bear Snores On'. It's a lovely story about hibernation, friendship and kindness. They have talked about animals that

hibernate, how we can be kind and had lots of picnic teas. They even had a bear den to snuggle up in and play.



Next week:

Bumble Bees - Day and night
Busy Bees/Beehive - 3D shapes