Reception's Blog

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Reception children have had another jam packed week, full of new and exciting learning opportunities.

The children have been delving into our current text 'The Storm Whale in Winter'. Using pictures, we have been retelling the story, adding creativity through the incorporation of actions to represent the characters movements.

Alongside text retelling, we have been exploring the definitions of unfamiliar words from the text. The children used the illustrations to help make meaning of the words - 'ashore', 'island', 'worry' and 'rescued'. Having read the story a number of times the children were given time to orally share their opinions on the story with given reasons and justification.

We have had so much fun using the NumberBlocks in the 'staircase effect' to help develop our understanding of the ordinality of numbers 1-5. Using mathematical vocabulary such as '1 more than and 1 less than', the children have been able to explain why numbers appear in the order they do.

We continue to be blown away by the children's hardworking attitude and enthusiasm towards phonics. We are now blending set 1 single sounds with 'special friends' to read sentences and stories and apply this knowledge within our whole class and individual writing.

Well done Reception, keep up all the hard work!



"3 is taller than 2" – Eric

"Rescue means to help somebody" – Eric

"They look like stairs" – Harvey M