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MIRROR MIRROR ON THE WALL...

The children are really enjoying traditional tales so we kept running with the theme this week. Snow White and the seven dwarfs has sparked lots of exciting role play and acting out of the story. The children asked for the home corner to be turned into a castle and since then we've had lots of evil queens, wicked witches, handsome huntsmen and noble kings around the classroom.



MASTERING MATHS



After Mrs Dawson's mastering maths course on Monday, we have been extra inspired to approach maths in a practical and hands-on way.

The children created a Numicon city (Numicon is a fabulous, tactile maths resource) and counted the number of people living in the tall tower blocks. They have also been jumping up and down the corridor in the name of maths. Our mission: to become a giant jumping number line. Our aim: to find one more or one less of a number. Mission accomplished! (and it was liked on Twitter by @MathsoftheDay—an on-line resource for 'active' maths learning).



ROCKING WRITERS

Amongst all the fairy tale characters we have spotted lots of rocking writers. It is wonderfully rewarding for us to see the children confidently putting pen to paper. It is so important that they feel a purpose for writing and that we praise them for doing it (even if the letters come out a bit squiffy sometimes).

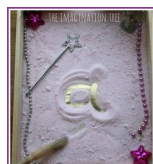


Encouraging writing

Writing doesn't have to be just boring pencil & paper. Why not try one of these ideas at home...



Paint in a freezer bag



Sand or salt in a tray



Trace over chalk with water

My spelling is wobbly.
It's good spelling but it wobbles
and the letters get in
the wrong places.



Enjoy the weekend! The Early Years Team