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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our 'Abigail' Book Bistro. The children and adults had a fantastic time and enjoyed engaging in a variety of exciting activities..

One of the main aims for the Book Bistro is to provide you with some activities and ideas to try at home with your child. For those of you were unable to attend the session or you did not have the opportunity to try all of the activities we have included an outline of them below.



Making a giraffe - A great way to develop cutting skills and fine motor skills to support pencil control. Encourage your child to draw around their hand, cut it out and decorate it. You could also use boxes, tubes etc... to make a giraffe.



Small world - Role play/small world is good for developing communication and language skills. By speaking to children and modelling good language we can broaden their vocabulary. Role play also develops their imagination, which they can then use to create/write their own stories.



Name writing in sand - Writing in sand is a fun way of getting children to write. Forming letters with their fingers gives them a different feel and allows children to use larger movements. You could also use glitter, flour or rice.



Ladybird spot counting - Printing the correct amount of spots on the numbered ladybirds is an exciting way of matching numerals to amount. You can ask your child questions such as, Do you have enough? How many more? What if I add one more? What if there is one less?



Animal footprints - Print the animals footprints and talk to your child about what they notice. How many feet does it have? What is the same/different? What if I print it twice? You could also discuss the similarities/differences between the animals?



Leaf rubbings - Leaf rubbings are a fun way to get your child talking about patterns and making observations about what they notice. Encourage your child to use different shaped leaves and discuss the similarities and differences. It is also a great opportunity to talk about seasons and changes.



Animal printing - Creating the animal patterns is another great opportunity to talk about similarities and differences. Children can talk about how to make a pattern as well as the different types of patterns on the characters in the story.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at the next Book Bistro.

Kind Regards

The Reception Team