



# THE FRIDAY FOCUS



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The fortnightly Friday Focus is the chance for every class at Clavering to share their learning with the Clavering School community. This is a great opportunity to find out what each year group has been up to and engage in conversations around learning.

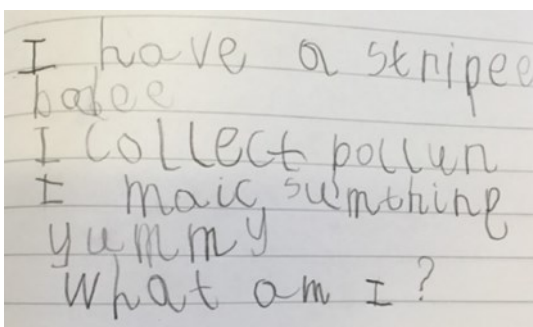
## RECEPTION

Reception class are continuing to learn lots and be fascinated by minibeasts! Each caterpillar has now formed its chrysalis and we are eagerly awaiting what will happen.

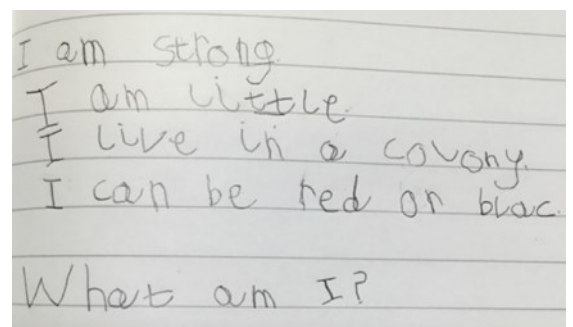
We studied *The Snail* by Henri Matisse and experimented our own recreations using different printing techniques.



We have been reading riddles this week and thinking about how we might give clues without giving too much away too soon! We chose a minibeast and wrote a riddle for it using tricky words and a question mark!



Lunetta



Jakob

We welcomed the families of Reception class to the forest last Friday for a special picnic. The Happy Hedgehogs enjoyed sharing their favourite activities with their family. We had a record four babies there too!

## CLASS 1

Year 1 have had a lot of fun over the past week. We have participated in with the fun run at school and went to a morning of sporting activities at Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport.

We have been learning about St Francis of Assisi - we watched a story clip and then acted out our own versions.

We have also been thinking about our feelings and how we can be 'Someone's reason to smile today'. There have been many examples of acts of kindness - helping our friends if they do not understand a task, taking turns, saying kind words, tidying the classroom and asking children to join in with games on the playground.

In Science, we have been examining the plants in the school grounds and have set up an investigation about 'conditions needed for healthy growth'. We have made predictions and are making regular observations.

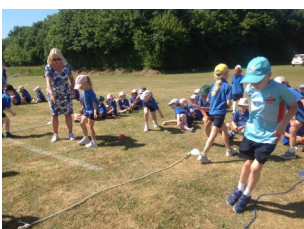
These are our results so far - our cress seeds have started to grow the most in the cupboard, where they have warmth, water and it is dark! The second best amount of growth are the seeds which have light, water and warmth.

We will keep you posted...



## CLASS 2

Last Wednesday Class Two went to JFAN to compete in the consortium school's athletics tournament. We had a fantastic morning, first the children all got to participate in a carousel of activities including howler throwing, a relay race and speed bounce. After that we choose a few representatives from each class to compete in the track races. All children tried their hardest and we had a lovely morning.





## CLASS 3

Class 3 have made a positive start to their learning around angles. Children have learnt that an angle is where two straight lines meet, we went on a hunt for angles in our playground.

In English we are studying the text *The Iron Man* by Ted Hughes. The children have created some great descriptive writing and a piece of art based on the opening chapter. The children used two colours of paint, chalk and charcoal to create the main piece and then black paper to create a part of the broken Iron Man to add to the rocks.



## CLASS 4

In class 4 we have been continuing looking at nature in art. We have progressed from our chalk feathers (which you may have seen in the last Friday Focus) and transferred our skills and techniques into the medium of clay. We have shaped our own tiles and etched in our feathers thinking about the different techniques we can use to make different effects. All of the tiles have been a great success and show individual approaches to the task.

