

# Year R Classroom News

Spring Term 2 — March 2026

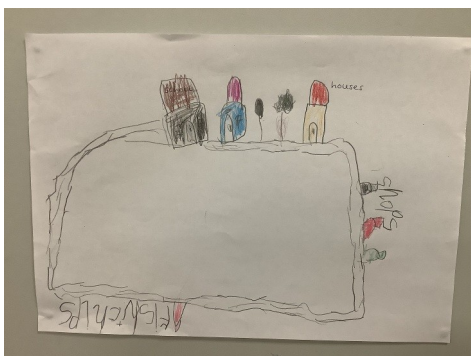
## Reception

We have had another busy half term in Reception!

As part of our topic, **The Smartest Gruffalo on the Broom** we have been doing lots of work around stories by Julia Donaldson. We went for a walk through Hartshill Hayes when looking at **The Gruffalo** and then compared this setting to Hartshill and Chapel End when reading **The Smartest Giant in Town**.

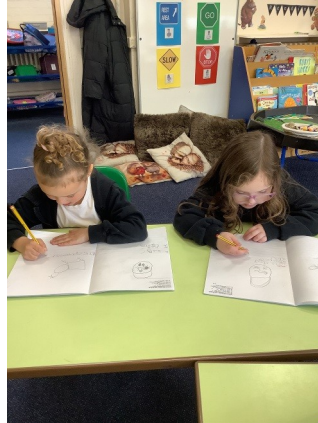





We have been learning our address and drew pictures of our houses. We have been looking at features in our locality and drew maps to show our walk in the local area.



## Writing

We are enjoying Drawing club, where we draw and write words and sentences. The children are working very hard to make sure they form their letters correctly. Please continue to support this at home, using the formation phrases to help.



		 astronaut	Open your mouth wide and make the <b>a</b> sound at the back of your mouth <b>a a a</b>	Around the astronaut's helmet and down into space.
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## Maths

We have been using cubes to measure the length of objects and enjoyed finding things that were longer and shorter than our foot!

We also looked at height and put ourselves in order from tallest to shortest!

The glue stick is **shorter than** my footprint



It's about the same size



## Keeping Healthy

We looked at the importance of brushing our teeth. The children were very good at brushing, making sure they reached right to the back!



You need a pea sized amount of toothpaste

Go to the dentist for a check up

Brush your teeth in the morning and at night

## Chinese New Year - the year of the horse

We enjoyed learning about how people celebrate Chinese New Year and joined in with some of the activities.



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We hope you all have a lovely Easter and a well earned rest and look forward to seeing you after the holiday!

