Baslow St. Anne's C of E Primary School

Life in all its fullness .. growing healthy minds and hearts together

Kindness - Respect - Diversity

EYFS

Week 4 Autumn 1 2026



Well done to our EYFS friends on another week of full days in school, they are continuing to become familiar with their new routines and especially enjoyed their Wednesday outdoor activities with their Year 1 friends.

All the eggs are now hatched on our Class Dojo and the children enjoy seeing their points growing as they tackle our daily challenges. We have also introduced our Tiger motto 'In Tigers .. I can do hard things. I can try my best. I can be a good friend', this encourages the children every day to be the best they can at school.

They are continuing to enjoy their daily phonic sessions where they learn about the sound of each letter (phonemes) and how it is written (grapheme). We write down which letters we are focussing on each week in their home/school diary. We are also playing lots of listening games to help them begin to hear how words are made up of different sounds. We will explain more about this at the meetings next week.

We have started looking at nursery rhymes and the children are working on their own nursery rhyme book. This helps the children in hearing rhythm and rhyme which are all important skills in learning to read.

The children have enjoyed their daily maths activities, this week we have been looking at how to count carefully using 1 to 1 correspondence and had fun learning about repeating patterns.

As part of our 'Dino-Roar' topic the children have been talking about different dinosaurs and when on an adventure to explore and find a nest of dinosaur eggs! They then worked together to discover how to free the mini dinosaurs inside them – there were frozen eggs, eggs that dissolved in vinegar and ones that had to be broken open. It was a fun activity and helped them learn about taking turns and being part of a team. They also created a dinosaur silhouette painting which required good listening skills and the ability to follow instructions. Do pop in and see them at Open Door.

The children also continued working on their morning 'Rainbow cards' using the card in their tray to record the activities they have tried over the week. This encourages the children to try a variety of activities rather than sticking to one favourite activity and therefore gives a wider breadth of learning opportunities.

The children also took part in their first whole school service for Harvest, where we learnt about why Christians celebrate Harvest.

As always please ask if you have any questions.



