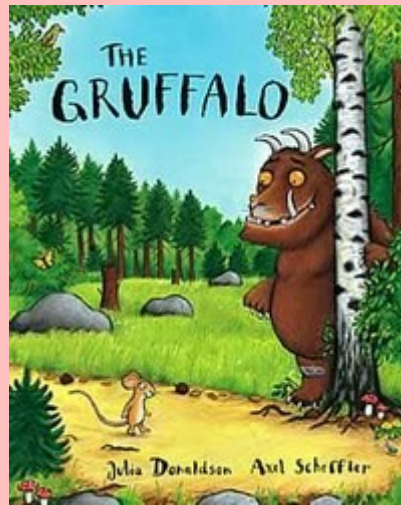


We shared the book 'The Gruffalo' by Julia Donaldson this week. The children enjoyed joining in with the repeated refrains. We have retold the story in our small world area, made collages of the Gruffalo and had a go at identifying initial sounds to label some of the characters and objects from the woods.



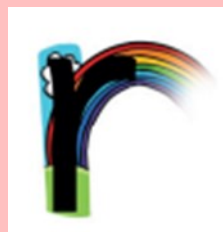
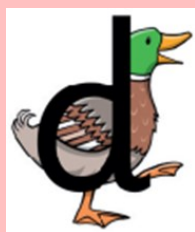
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Home challenge: Are there any other Julia Donaldson stories that you like to read? Share them with us!

Phonics

This week we recapped the following graphemes to support the children with really embedding them:

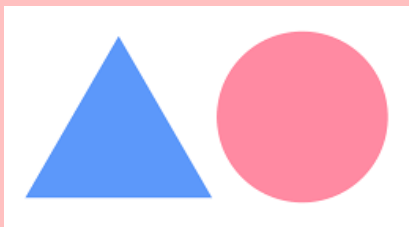


We practised using them to read cvc words (consonant-vowel-consonant) such as hug, ran and bed.

Home challenge: Over half term continue to recap all the phonemes we have learnt this term. Build cvc words and practise sounding them out and blending the words together. If there are any letters that you still find tricky to write, think of a fun way to continue practising them.

This week we have also attached some ideas of fine motor activities you could do at home to help strengthen hand muscles and improve dexterity, which in turn helps with pencil grip and writing.

Maths



This week we have been looking at the shapes- circles and triangles. We looked at the properties to support us with identifying them. We used the vocabulary, *curved* and *straight* to describe their sides, as well as how many *sides* and *corners* they had.

The children created pictures using these shapes, and spotted them in the environment.

Home challenge: Can you spot any circles or triangles in and around your home environment? Take photos of them to share with us.

Home challenges are helpful ideas for you in supporting your child to consolidate their learning at home. Please feel free to choose those you feel are achievable for you and share on Tapestry.