

We have enjoyed another fun filled week here in Elm class! The children have loved celebrating Chinese New Year – making Chinese Lanterns, Singing 'Kung Hey Fat choy' and tasting yummy Chinese food amongst other activities! It was the year of the tiger this year so our attention autism session was focused on tigers! We loved using the stripey roller to make tiger stripes in the paint





## Reminders!

After half term on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March we will be having "World Book Day" Our class will be focussing on In The Night Garden – bedtime stories. Lots of the children really like Iggle Piggle and friends and we often share the stories in class. We thought this way we could either dress up as characters or come in Pjs.

School finishes for half term next Friday – 11<sup>th</sup> Feb

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This week the children have been very busy working on their IEP targets, they are focussing well on tasks and raising to challenges set them. We can't believe how far they have come since September.

We continue to have fun learning about the Jungle and all that goes with that. The children explored different tropical fruits that they may find growing on trees in the jungle – pineapples, coconuts and bananas – they enjoyed a very exploring these with their senses and naming/ identifying them.

They were super stars in our fun with food session this week too – we had lots of skills being practised including peeling – oranges and bananas, grating carrots, chopping bananas and exploring and tasting the watermelon. Some of the children are really enjoying just exploring the different foods each week and are making small steps towards tasting.

The children also enjoyed doing lots of role playing both for our theme and other scenarios – babies, builders, hairdressers!

In PE the children have been wonderful – all making excellent progress with those gross motor skills, balance and co ordination. They are joining in more and more each week and demonstrating super listening skills. This week we really focusses on throwing and catching – they did under and over arm throwing at different targets.

The children are also doing super with their communication – using the communication aids provided we have really seen great improvements in speech and understanding.

Have a fabulous weekend

From all of the Elm Class Team 😊