

Moonbeams Governors Report

The start of Autumn term welcomed some returning pupils and some new pupils to both Cribden House and our new class Moonbeams. It was a wonderful start to the new term and some pupils settled into their new class and routine quickly.

MATHS

We have made some super progress with our maths this term. We use 'Hit the Button' on a daily basis which has helped the pupils understand number bonds to 10, 20 and 100.

Moonbeams have worked hard to show a great understanding of partitioning, place value, addition and subtraction, comparing numbers and jottings.



ENGLISH

During the Autumn term we have focused on improving our phonics knowledge. Daily phonic lessons, games and interventions have helped all our pupils to improve their writing, spelling and reading.

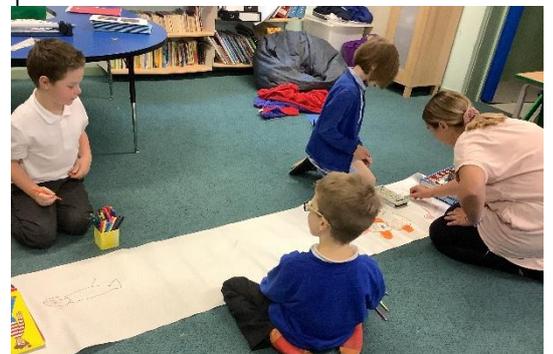
As a class, we read stories by Julia Donaldson including *The Gruffalo*, *The Snail and the Whale* and *A Squash and a Squeeze*. We had to write book reports, re-enact the story, identify patterns and rhymes and then create our own poems.



THRIVE

Thrive has been an integral part of Moonbeams day. Each afternoon, we enjoy numerous activities including drawing, painting, arts and crafts, clay and junk modelling, art through music and scratch art.

Each session starts with a metaphor. This is to help each pupil to describe their feelings in a safe and fun way. Each pupil shares theirs and listens to other pupils' feelings. This is followed by a 5-minute meditation to teach the children relaxation techniques and how to self-regulate.



JUST DANCE

Each week, Moonbeams have a just dance session in the classroom. All children take part in these sessions and try to copy the moves as best they can.



FOREST SCHOOL

It has been an exciting time for Moonbeams this term in the forest. The pupils have learnt how to make a fire safely, in a fire pit, using a flint and steel. We walked through a stream and planted trees in the school grounds.

PSHRE / TOPIC

During the Autumn term, Moonbeams have looked at a variety of topics including Famous Artists, Black History Month, World Mental Health Day and Relationships.

Some of the work produced has been of such high quality that we created a display called 'Proud to be Black' highlighting and promoting the impact of famous black figures from history including Rosa Parks, Mary Seacole and Marcus Rashford.

