**Friday 5th July**

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| **Communication and Language/Literacy**  This week our focus texts have been on ‘Roaming through the Rainforest’. We have learnt some of the animals who live in the South American rainforest.  We have also focused on another Judith Kerr text called ‘Crocodile Under the Bed’ so children can make links in their knowledge of the author and see if they can see any more of Judith Kerr’s characters in this book. |

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| **Physical Development**  We had Sports Day on Tuesday. I would like to thank all the parents for your support in this event. We have many much younger children in our cohort this year, so this help was much appreciated.  We have also been using a fine paintbrush and learning how to use it with control.  We have had a dance session, running on the all-weather track and Disco Dough. |

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| **Maths**  We have been learning the ‘commutative law’ in maths. The children do not know it as this, but they will hear the word ‘commutative’ in Year 2 onwards. The children have been making ‘colour sentences’ and they realised that you can mix two primary colours and it will make a new colour. The commutative law is that in addition, it does not matter which comes first in adding: e.g blue and yellow make green, yellow and blue make green- 3 and 2 make 5 and 2 and 3 make 5. This is commutativity. |

**Other Learning**

In **music** we have been practising our boa constrictor song and focusing on rhyme in the lyrics. We have also had a special session with Mrs Cooper, our professional music teacher.

In **science**, wee have learnt about caiman and learnt that baby caiman hatch from eggs. Their mummy carries them in her mouth gently to the water and then lets them go for their first swim. We learnt the mummy caiman puts her eggs underground so they don’t get eaten by a predator.

In **ecology**, we learnt about plastic bags being bad for our world and to try and use fabric bags as these do not hurt animals in the sea if they end up there.

**History** and **geography**-We have also learnt that explorers travelled across the sea to the rainforests ’a long time ago’. They found tomatoes and pineapples and brought them back to us our country. This is why we can buy them in shops now. We used tomatoes in Nursery and made our own passata.

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| **HOMEWORK**  **Please read with your child every night for 5 minutes. Please return any school books as soon as possible.**  **For homework, please practise the commutative law of colour mixing with your child (if you have paints at home). This understanding of the commutative law of addition is recommended by the NCETM.** |

Thank you for your continued support

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