

# What's happening in The Hive this week?

Week beginning: 11.02.19

The interest in penguins has taken off with both the children and adults. We have found out so much about penguins and some of the learning has been put on our learning board display. The children spent time with Elaine researching penguins and found out that there were seventeen different types of penguins with some very unusual names. Vincent loved the Macaroni penguin and drew a fantastic picture to put on our interest wall. Lots of children learned new facts about penguins and added their pictures and writing to the display. They chose how they wanted to display their own work. We learned some interesting facts about these birds, here are a few... Emperor penguins are the tallest standing as tall as Karen's shoulder! The smallest penguin is the Little Blue penguin which is only about 40 centimetres.

Thank you to those who have sent pictures and facts about penguins. Max bought his enormous cuddly Emperor penguin to nursery, it was nearly as big as him. Thankyou Max.

Finley's granny helped him find out lots of facts too and printed a fantastic picture of an Emperor penguin.

Grace wore her penguin jumper!

George bought a zig-zag paper model penguin to nursery and showed us how he made it. This week we are going to see if we can make them.

Dawn is going to make some charcoal over the fire in the forest and we are going to use this to draw our own penguins.

We are going to have black and white dough to make model penguins!

We are learning lots about penguins! Keep sending us facts and pictures.

**Garden:** Jen has been working on the allotment with the children this week and they have worked tirelessly preparing the beds to plant winter vegetables. The soil is just right for digging and the vegetable beds are almost ready for planting. We are going to plant onions, garlic, spring onions and broad beans! These can all be planted in the winter!

**Forest School:** we have been telling our own stories in the forest using the story stones. Alice sat with Jade for ages using the stones to tell her own story. We have been using the small world animals to think about our animal friends in the forest.

It has been very wet out in the forest and the forest floor is very muddy, we have loved putting our boots on and getting muddy outside.

**What can you do at home to support your child's learning?**

***Keep bringing in facts about penguins to put on our penguin interest board!***

***Take part in our sponsored rhyme challenge over half term! A copy of the fun rhyme activities will be given to you this week!***