## **Understanding the World in Reception Class**

During their first term at school Reception class have already been experimenting with and investigating the world around them.



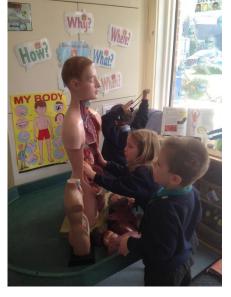
They have explored their environment on local walks and have been exploring their outside area. They have noticed changes in the seasons and the weather. We have been on an Autumn walk, looking closely at these changes and collecting natural materials that we have used creatively in

the classroom. They have also explored the weather by making kites and fireworks to fly in the wind and jumping in rainy puddles!

They have learnt about and explored bodies during our all about me learning. They did a brilliant job of naming body parts and have loved looking at a book, finding out what all of these parts do!



They have investigated lots of different materials, testing them and making decisions about which one works best. They have made a boat for the gingerbread man and found the best material to use to build a beanstalk.



They have also baked bread and gingerbread men, looking at

how the ingredients change.

We always have opportunities to investigate and experiment in our classroom and the children particularly enjoy the planned activities available in the 'Investigation area' which change weekly. They have explored floating and sinking in water, played with sensory equipment, tested magnets, been digging for animals, made shadow puppets and much more.

