Westfield Nursery School entry for the Dunstable in Bloom

For this year's Wheelie Fantastic and best school entry, we have planted a variety of flowers, fruits, vegetables and herbs linked to the theme 'Winnie the Pooh'.

The children have the responsibility of taking care of the plants. They have watered them daily. When they are ready, the children harvest them and enjoy them during their snack time. The children have also given the vegetables to the Guinea pigs.

As part of our school curriculum, the children are learning to:

-Talk about some of the things they have observed such as plants, animals, natural and found objects using a wide vocabulary (natural world) (24-36months)

-Understand the key features of the life cycle of a plant and an animal (natural world) (36-48months)

-Show care and concern for living things and the environment (natural world) (36-48months)

-Make observations of animals and plants, explaining why some things occur and talk about changes (natural world) (48-60months)

Literacy is a school focus for all children across the school. This year we read stories linked to Winnie the Pooh. The children have also experienced digital literacy learning about the different characters from the book.

In our garden we have planted:

-Tomatoes
-Carrots
-Pumpkins
-Squash
-Strawberries
-Sage
-Rosemary
-Lavender
-Fennel
-Parsley
-Sweet peppers
-Parsnips
-Cucumbers
-Broad beans
-Sunflowers
-Panseys
-Chrysanthemum
-Calibrachoa
-Lavender
-Dahlia
-Petunia
-Bidens
-Osteospermum
-Gerbera
-Impatiens
-Marigolds
-Cosmos
-Fuchsia
-Sanvitalia

Our Wheelie Fantastic entry!

In the wheelbarrows we have planted: Chrysanthemum, Calibrachoa, Bidens, Osteospermum, Sanvitalia, Gerbera, Dahlia, Impatiens, Petunia, Fuchsia and Marigolds. The children were given the opportunity to fill the wheelbarrow with compost, dig the holes and plant the plants. The children have enjoyed drawing characters from Winnie the Pooh and Bee's. the children have been developing their writing skills by writing labels used around the garden. The children have shown curiosity and interest in helping and watching the plants grow and change.

In the wheelbarrow, we planted yellow, orange and red flowers to represent Winnie the Pooh's body. We drew his face to accompany the wheelbarrow. In pots surrounding the wheelbarrow, we planted yellow and orange flowers to represent Honey. We planted plants that will encourage bees into our garden.
We also, planted pink flowers to represent Piglet, orange flowers tor present Tigger, and grey flowers to represent Eeyore. The children enjoyed learning about the characters, where they lived and drawing pictures.

Thank you for coming to see our entry!