



## Swanton Morley V.C. Primary School

### Reception Reflection W/E 8.2.2019

We had owl visitors this week! They left quite a mess though, sticks and feathers everywhere! The Owl Babies book has given us lots to talk about including discussing the challenge of separation - how it makes us feel and what we might think, do and say. We have a nest in class and the children have been encouraged to retell the story using the owl mummy and owl baby puppets and props we have in class.

Over the last couple of week's the children have spent time practising their finger control including tearing and cutting paper and card. We have taken some inspiration from Henri Matisse, a French artist who, in his later years following illness, was unable to paint. He turned his hands to collage and used cut out paper shapes and images to create abstract plants, animals, figures and shapes. The children have created their own versions of Matisse's "Snail" and a collaborative larger version of "The Sheaf".

In math's we have been looking at pairs of numbers which when they are added together, make 10. This could be 1 and 9, 5 and 5, 3 and 7 etc. You could try this at home, collecting 10 counters (these could be anything) and see how many different ways you can split them.

It was lovely to see so many parents at the sharing session on Monday. These are a great opportunity to come and look through your child's learning story and talk about what they have been doing. If you missed it, there is a school open evening between 3.30pm and 4.30pm next Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February, feel free to come along then and look at what your child's been up to.

**Reminder** - There have been an increasing number of children in class who have been bringing toys into school. Inevitably this has caused a few problems. Please encourage your child to keep their tuys safe by leaving them at home.

One more week until half term!

*Mrs Barnes, Mrs Davies, Mrs Muncer, Mrs Allinson and Mrs Wilton*

