



Welcome back!

Once again, the children arrived back to school raring to go! They are very excited by the fairytale role-play area that Miss Jackie is creating.

We have an exciting term lined up with a focus on Traditional Tales.. If you have a favourite fairy tale that you would like to tell / read to the class, please get in touch!

Ms Mitchell & Miss Jackie

Important Dates

- World Book Day
Thursday 5th March
- Science Week
Wb 9th March
- Hearing and Vision Tests
Wednesday 11th March

Author Visit / Trip to Manor House Library

20th March – please see the note on Weduc regarding the trip.

Parent's Evenings

24th and 26th March – details to follow.

Easter Holidays

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April



In Literacy this term we will be:

Reading / Phonics

Continuing to use our sounds to read decodable books. Discussing similarities and differences between the stories / versions. Matching captions to pictures.

Writing

We will look more in depth about the different parts of a story - beginning, middle, end / characters / events / dilemmas etc. In the last week of term, we will use the elements we have explored to make our own 'mixed up fairytale.' Don't forget to share any work from home of which your child is particularly proud for our 'Writing Wonder Wall'.

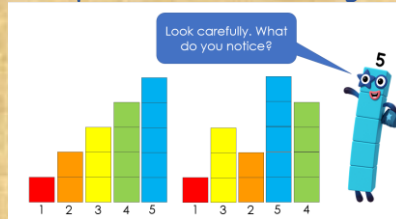
Phonics Phase 3 – Recapping all phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs and learning the sounds; ar, ur, er, ow, oi ear, air ure

Tricky words: , we, are, you, all, was, give, live

We will be having a real push on handwriting - please make sure your child can write their first name using the correct formation. Please see the attached sheets.

In maths we will continue our investigations into 'Maths Mastery'. We will use the language of comparison: more than, fewer than, an equal and unequal sets.

There will be a focus on the 'staircase' pattern and ordering numbers



Focus on ordering of numbers to 7 using the language of less than.



Other areas of the curriculum...

PSHE

We will be thinking about the perspective of others - in relation to the characters in the stories: Did Jack have the right to go into the Giant's house? Did the Giant have the right to chase Jack? Is it okay to feel cross or afraid? What made the wolf bad? etc Also, we will discuss what makes us special - can we see any of these traits in the characters in the stories we are reading?

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have the opportunity to create different textures for pigs' houses and 'Huff and Puff' straw art. We will use a variety of artistic effects to express ideas. We will discover different kinds of music from across the globe and create music to accompany story - characters and settings.

Physical Development

We will have a big focus on handwriting skills this half term, making sure we can form letters correctly and know where they sit on a line. In PE we will be practicing skills such as: following instructions, developing co-ordination and striking a ball. During our indoor PE lessons we will focus on dance and will learn to move with control, repeat actions and move in time and express feelings through movement. We will encourage the children to make props from traditional tales using large equipment - a block bridge for the billy goats, for example.

Understanding the World

Of course, spring is nearly upon us and the signs are already here. We will be consolidating the children's knowledge of the season and encouraging them to think of questions they would like answered. We will be celebrating new life throughout the term and have a focus on it in the last week when we will link it to the Easter festival.

Phase 2

Sound Mat



s	ss	a	t	p	i	n	m	d

g	o	c	k	ck	e	u	r

h	b	f	ff	l	ll



Sun, Dress, Apple, Tap, Pan, Insect, Nest, Mat, Dog, Goat, Octopus, Cat, Key, Sack, Elephant, Umbrella, Rat, Hat, Bag, Fan, Muffin, Leg, Doll



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Phase 3

Sound Mat



j	v	w	x	y	z	zz	qu	ch

sh	th	ng	ai	ee	igh	oa	oo	oo

ar	or	ur	er	ow	oi	ear	air	ure



jar, van, web, fox, yell, zip, buzz, queen, chips, shell, thigh, nail, ain, eel, high, boat, spoon, book, star, fork, surf, ladder, owl, omelette, ear, chair, moose



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Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff

Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm

Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt

Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz