

Communication and Language

Children will develop their listening skills through listening to a range of fairy and traditional tales. Children will develop language skills through acting out stories, answering questions about stories and talking to each other about stories we have read. We will be discussing the meaning of any new words in our books.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children are aware of their own feelings, and know that some actions and words can hurt or harm others.

Literacy

Children will be continuing on their phonics journey. Some children will be starting to write simple sentences and some children will be learning to write words. All of us will be practising our letter formation and making sure we do this correctly. We need to make sure we hold our pencil correctly. We will be exploring reading through the internet and interactive whiteboard games. We will be going on bug club and espresso.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children express their own preferences and interests.

Mathematics

Children will learn to recognise numbers to 20 and beyond, we will practise counting to 100. We will be adding and taking away with either cubes or on a number line. We will be ordering objects by size, related to the stories we are reading.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children select and use activities and resources with help. Children welcome and value praise for what they have done.

Who is the meanest storybook character?



Physical Development

Children will continue to understand what a healthy lifestyle is and how we can be healthy. In our PE lessons we will continue to work with Mr Jackson, we will be working on balance and agility. Please remember your PE kit on the first day back.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children enjoy the responsibility of carrying out small tasks.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will sing rhymes and learn some new songs. We will use instruments to accompany the songs and stories and children will learn about the different sounds that instruments make. Children will paint pictures, make collages and models related to the stories we have been reading. We will also be playing with our small world toys and linking these to our traditional tales.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children are interested in others' play and are starting to join in. They can play in a group, extending and elaborating play ideas.

Understanding the World

The children will be trying out our new computer games and having a go at them on their own or with a friend. We will be using the iPads or chrome books to find out facts about some of the animals from our traditional tales.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development - Children show confidence in asking adults for help.

Things you can do at home

- Please make sure you read your child's reading book at least 4 times a week. Please ask lots of questions about the book your child has read to check they are understanding what they read. Can they write any words from their reading books?
- We will send home some phonics sounds that your child has been learning, please practise these at home.
- In the New Year, the passwords bug club will be sent home so please try and have a go on these. Most of the games are compatible with a tablet.
- As the weather will continue to get colder, please send your child to school with a woolly hat.

Books we will be reading this half term:

- The Magic Porridge Pot
  - The 3 Bears
  - The Gingerbread Man
  - Jack and the Beanstalk
  - The Elves and the Shoemaker
- If you have any stories that link with these book, please bring them in for us to read.