

The Traditional Tales

Reception - Autumn Term 2- 2023

Literacy

In Literacy we will be reading Mr Wolf's Pancake by Jan Fearnley, and we will even be making our very own pancakes, YUM! We will also continue to read one book a week in story time, focusing on new vocabulary, developing our listening skills and learning how to ask questions-

- Blue
- My Worry Time Monster
- Today I feel Silly
- How are you Felling Today?
- The Story of the Kindness Elves
- Have you Filled Your Bucket yet?

We are also aiming for all children to be able to recognise and write their own name. Any extra practise at home would help.

By the end of this half term your child should be able to write CVC words containing the sounds that they have learnt in phonics (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, o, g, l, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff, ll and ss) and be able to write short sentences and phrases.

Marvellous Maths

In Maths we are learning and securing our knowledge of numbers 1 to 5 and securing the following skills:

- Writing numbers 0-5
- Counting from 0 to 5 confidently
- Subitising to 5
- Knowing 1 more and 1 less than up to 5
- Matching numeral to cardinal value eg: number cards and dot patterns
- Comparing numbers using 'more than', 'less than', 'fewer', 'same'
- Exploring the composition of numbers to 5, including number bonds
- Solve simple jigsaw puzzles up to 10 pieces.
- Continue, copy and create repeating patterns.

Phonics

In Phonics we are getting really good at orally blending and segmenting words. For example, if we spell out the word c-a-t (using letter sounds, not letter names) the children need to be able to tell us what we have spelt 'cat'. And vice versa- asking the children to orally spell a given word (saying each sound correctly and in order).

This half term we are repeating all the single sounds the children learned in Autumn 1. This gives them extra practise to embed their prior learning and read and write with these sounds more confidently. Each week we learn two new tricky words and two new high frequency words. When children can recognise all taught sounds and words by sight, they will be sent home a Phase 2 book with words in.

By the end of Autumn 2, we are aiming for your child to be able to read phase 2 books, **fluently**.

Art

We like to create Art based on the books that we are reading.

Each week your child will create a piece of art work, based on Traditional Tales. The children will also work with clay this half term.

Handwriting & Letter Formation

Handwriting is very important for Reception children because they need to strengthen and build control of their fingers and hands.

In order to support this, we do 'Dough Disco' each day to strengthen our finger muscles!



Please encourage your child to hold their pencil correctly at home when practising their writing (Nip, flip and grip) and encourage them to form their letters correctly- ask your child about our handwriting rhymes!

Please practise handwriting and name writing as often as possible.

PE

Reception have P.E on a Wednesday

Please encourage your child to be independent and tidy when dressing.



Understanding the World

In History we will look at the past and at events before the children were born. e.g. Remembrance Day.

In Science we will also be exploring forces through different scientific experiments including, floating and sinking and cars on ramps.

In Geography the children will be looking at recycling at how this is important for our planet.

In Computing, we will explore the importance of staying safe on-line.

In Music, the children will be practising the songs for Christmas.

In D&T we will make pancakes as part of our Literacy and continue to explore fruits and vegetables using our 5 senses.