



Welcome to the Early Years Newsletter
Spring 1 2020

Welcome back! We hope you had a fantastic break. This half term we will be learning about fairy tale stories.

All children will participate in a rich, exciting curriculum that covers all 7 areas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Nursery

Nursery children will be learning to take turns and develop friendships.

Reception

Reception children will be learning to negotiate and solve problems independently.

Communication and Language

Nursery

Children will show their understanding through questioning.

Reception

Children will be extending their vocabulary this half term and demonstrate this through role play.

Physical Development

Nursery

Nursery children will be learning to move confidently in a range of ways outside. They will talk about the effects of activity on their bodies.

Reception

Outside, children will develop skills on how to manage risk and develop their own games. In class, they will learn about what a healthy diet means.



Literacy: Will you read me a story?

Nursery

The children will be listening to stories and recalling them using story props.

Literacy: Why do squirrels hide their nuts?

Reception

The children will be using their knowledge of sounds to write words and create posters.

Maths

Nursery

Nursery children will be exploring numbers in the environment.

Reception

The children will be exploring heavy and light and in number learning to count and recognise numbers to 20.

Understanding the World

Nursery

The children will investigate what season they are in by exploring their environment for signs of Autumn.

Reception

The children will be investigating what a bean plant needs for it to grow and exploring different traditions such as 'Chinese New Year'.



Expressive Arts and Design

Nursery

Children will be accessing resources independently and discovering their own way of expressing themselves.

Reception

The children will be using their own ideas to build houses and make crowns using a range of media and materials.

Reading Books

Reading is an important part of Early Years. Children will be given a reading book to take home on Wednesday which should be signed by parents. They should be returned by Monday and are a communication tool for us all. Children in Reception will be given a 'take home task' on a Wednesday too based on what they have learned in the week.



Topic Homework

Nursery

Read a variety of stories to your child and talk about the pictures and what is happening.

Reception

Talk to your child about their favourite fairy tale story.



To introduce our topic, we will be doing a 'Once Upon a Fairy-tale' fancy dress day. To help with this we would like for children to dress up as their favourite fairy-tale character on **Tuesday 21st January 2020**.

A reminder: Children in Reception should wear school uniform with black shoes. Children will also need a PE kit every **Friday**. This should be a white top, black shorts and black pumps.