



Dear Parents,

Once upon a time, Reception came back from their Christmas break, all rested and ready to start a magical adventure...

This half term the children will be learning about traditional tales and nursery rhymes, making comparisons between different versions of well known tales. We will also be designing, building and testing their own homes for the Three Little Pigs!

Will the BIG BAD HAIRDRYER be able to blow them down?

We will be discussing the dilemmas that each storybook character encounters. Will they all end happily ever after?

Mr Blanthorn, Miss Chapman and Miss Carlyle

OUR DRIVING QUESTION:

Do stories and rhymes always stay the same?

IN WRITING we will continue to learn letter sounds and will be attempting to write short CVC words (cat, mat, sad) using our phonic knowledge. We will be mastering writing our names.

IN MATHEMATICS we will be learning to recognise and order numbers, discover what one 'more' than a number is, number bonds to 5 and when comparing groups of objects, be able to use the terms 'more', 'fewer' and 'equal to'.

IN PHONICS we will continue to recap our Set 1 sounds and start to introduce the digraphs and Set 2 sounds. The children will use their phonic knowledge to write independent sentences.

IN EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN we will be experimenting with materials to build houses for the Three Little Pigs.

IN COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE we will look at questioning and how to seek out information we want.

IN UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD we will look at the similarities and differences between different cultures and communities.

IN PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT we will discuss the morals in traditional tales and gain an understanding of what the 'right' and 'wrong' thing to do is.

IN PE, we will be harnessing the Fundamental Movement Skills we learnt in our first term, adding a variety of ball skills to their ever-growing sporting repertoire! As always, we will be encouraging teamwork and individual effort in the lessons.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Bring your **PE** kit every **Monday**
- Please ensure your child brings their reading books to school every day.
- Please relabel all of your children's belongings.
- Be ready for **beach school** every **Wednesday**.

