

English

In phonics this half term, we will be learning phase 3 sounds and then using them in our reading and writing. (ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, ar, or, ur, ow, oi, ear)

We will continue to decode words in our reading and recognise lots more tricky words. (was, you, they, my, by, all, are)

In our Traditional Tales topic, we will be writing letters to different characters and retelling the stories using storybook language such as 'Once upon a time...'

We will also be acting out the different stories with our friends.

Reception Spring 1 Into the woods Traditional Tales.



Physical Development

We will be developing our skills with different sized balls this half term and using a range of different equipment such as bats and beanbags.

We will continue to practice our fine motor skills and strengthen our hands using dough, paintbrushes, pencils etc.



Mathematics

We will continue to practice our subitising this half term and will now be learning to recognise more complicated patterns. We will be ordering numbers and noticing when one of the numbers is in the wrong place.

We will make sure we know how each number is made, for example $4 = 2+2$, $3+1$ or $4+0$.

We will be using our mathematical language to describe length, mass and capacity.

Don't forget

PE is on Monday and Thursday.

We now have an extra session on a Thursday as we have 5/60 coming in to take the session and teach the children some new skills.

When sending snacks for the afternoon, please try and send healthy snacks to promote our new topic and remember we have some children in school with nut allergies.

Try and listen to your child read as least three times a week, learn their tricky words and sounds that are sent home. Each group will do their reading three times a week in school and then their book will come home for them to practice with you.

Please check Class Dojo as we will update you using the stories and messages.

Any issues/ideas/problems please talk to us.

Mrs Fidler, Mrs Mills, Mrs Newton

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be designing and making our own Gingerbread houses and Gingerbread men.

We will be moving to different types of music and thinking about how different storybook characters might move to this music.

We will also be preparing for a very exciting end to this half term's topic.



Understanding the World

We will be looking at how we can keep ourselves healthy this half term. Is it a good thing to only eat sweets and chocolate?

We will also be looking at our families and recognizing that every family is different.

Through our Traditional Tales, we will be making maps and following instructions to get to different places around our school.



RE

In RE we will be thinking about people who are special to us and why. This will link with our work on family trees.

PSED

We will be thinking about our dreams and goals.

We will also continue to support the children in building their friendship and understanding themselves.