

EYFS

SPRING

TOPIC: ONCE UPON A TIME

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be discussing how to keep our bodies healthy. We will be learning about starting the day in a healthy way- linked to our learning about Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We will also be learning about how our actions impact those around us. During the second half term we will be learning about road safety.

Communication and Language

We will be continuing to broaden our vocabulary by learning lots of new words linked to our topic. Here are just a few of the words that we will be learning: scorching, menacing, cunning, crept and shatter. We will continue to focus on speaking in full sentences.

Fine Motor Skills

The children will take place in daily 'Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle' sessions. These sessions aim to support the children's fine motor skills and develops their readiness for writing. In addition to this, we will begin formal handwriting sessions. These sessions will support the children to form their letters correctly, with the aim of developing a fluent and neat handwriting style.



Literacy

Our topics this term is 'Once Upon a Time.' We will be reading a range of traditional tales including Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Jack and the Beanstalk and The Three Little Pigs. During the second half of the term our core stories will be based around the theme of 'transport.' We will be practising write sentences to retell the story and then adapting the story to make it our very own.



Maths

This half term we will continue to develop our subitising skills for numbers within and beyond 5, and we will learn to connect quantities to numerals. We will begin to identify missing parts for numbers within 5 and explore the structure of the numbers 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit.' We will connect this to finger patterns and the Hungarian number frame. During the second half of the term we will focus on the composition of numbers up to ten. We will learn how to double quantities and we will also be practising the instant recall of numberbonds.



Physical Development

PE- Ball Skills.

This half term we will be taking part in 'Ball Skills.' We will be learning how to throw and catch a ball and how to move around a space with a ball. We will work on developing control an accuracy when taking part in ball games. During the second half term we will be focussing on dance skills. We will learn to move in a range of ways in response to different genres of music.



Phonics

Phonics new GPCs: ai ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow oi ear air er

Tricky Words: was you they my by all are sure pure



Expressive Arts and Design

We will be revisiting our learning about clay. We will learn how to print patterns into clay and use our skills to make clay owls. We will also be learning different ways to join materials and then use our skills to design a chair for Baby Bear.

During Spring 2, we will move on to learning how to sew. We will use our skills to sew our very own story telling puppets.

Enhanced Opportunities

To strive beyond the curriculum, we provide children with additional learning opportunities to widen their knowledge and broaden their experiences.

- We will be taken part in Chinese food tasting and learning the Chinese Ribbon Dance.
- Passport to the World Day



Homework

To consolidate our learning and to support children in knowing more and remembering more, the children will be set the following homework each week:

- Phonics reading books
- Reading the 'reading for pleasure' book that the children will be bringing home.
- Practising the phonics sounds and tricky words that the children have been assigned.

Understanding the World- Past and Present

We will be learning exploring the pictures in traditional tales such as Jack and the Beanstalk and explore what life was like in the past. We will compare life now to life in the past. We will also look at how transport has changed over times.

Poetry Basket

We will be learning to recite and perform the following poems:

- Popcorn
- I Can Build a Snowman
- Carrot Nose
- Let's Put on Our Mittens
- Purple House
- Pancakes



Music

Our units for this half term are 'Music and Movement' followed by 'Musical Stories.' During these units, we will:

- Learn action songs
- Develop performance skills.
- Learn how to find the pulse of music and move in time to the music.
- Learn about the tempo of music.
- Learn about the high pitch and low pitch within music.

Understanding the World People and Communities

We will be learning about the Lunar New Year and focussing specifically on Chinese cultural traditions. We will learn about how and why the festival is celebrated and thinking about similarities and differences between the festival and other celebrations that we have learnt about. During Spring 2, we will be learning about why and how Christians celebrate Easter.

Understanding the World- The Natural World

We will be learning about the transition from winter to spring and observing how the environment around us is changing. We will be preparing for spring by planting different seedling for flowers, vegetables and herbs. We will be learning how to look after our seedling and watching them carefully for signs of growth. We will also start learning about life cycles of different living things.

