Foundation Stage Curriculum Overview

Spring Term One 2025

Traditional Tales

Week beginning: 6th January 2025 Theme: The Three Little Pigs

The children will be:

- Settling back into the routines.
- Investigating homes from around the world and identifying what they are made of.
- Designing their own house and using construction kits to build a variety of houses.
- Reading different versions of the story of the three little pigs and making comparisons.
- Using puppets to retell the story of the Three Little Pigs using repetitive language.
- Subitising (1-3 for Nursery, 1-5 for Reception).
 Identifying 1 more/ 1 less (Reception).
- Continuing to develop their phonic awareness (see newsletter for more details)

Week beginning: 27th January 2025

Theme: Chinese New Year

The children will be:

- Taking part in St Paul's Week celebrations with the school and learning about the history of St Paul and our school.
- Finding out about Chinese New Year; it's origin and how it is celebrated around the world.
- Reading the Chinese New Year story and talking about the animals in the story and their qualities.
- Creating props and retelling the story in their own words.
- Identifying 2d shapes (Nursery) and introducing number bonds to 8 (Reception).

Week beginning: 13th January 2025 Theme: Little Red Riding Hood

The children will be:

- Reading the story of Little Red Riding Hood and talking about the character's feelings and actions.
- Writing letters to the Big Bad Wolf using their phonic knowledge (Reception).
- Developing their mark making (Nursery).
- Designing their own wolf dens and wolf traps.
- Introducing number 3: numeral, composition, triangles (Nursery).
- Composition of numbers up to 5: addition and subtraction and number bonds (Rec).
- Developing a sense of rhythm and rhyme (Nursery).

Week beginning: 3rd February 2025 Theme: The Enormous Turnip

The children will be:

- Reading the story and identifying different types of vegetables.
- Making vegetable soup and trying different food types.
- Talking about how to stay healthy and eating well. Finding out about how to care for their bodies and teeth.
- Talking about how vegetables are grown and harvested and planting a selection of seeds.
- Creating observational paintings and selecting colours for a purpose.
- Focusing on number 4 (Nursery) and reinforcing number bonds to 8 (Reception).

Week beginning: 20th January 2025 Theme: The Elves and the Shoemaker

The children will be:

- Reading and retelling the story of the Elves and the Shoemaker and sequencing the events that take place.
- Designing their own shoes and talking about how shoes have changed over time.
- Talking about different materials and thinking about how they are used in clothing.
- Writing letters to the elves and designing their own elf houses.
- Measuring using non-standard measures and identifying longest and shortest.
- Developing their knowledge of capacity and using words such as full, empty, least, more.

Week beginning: 10th February 2025 Theme: The Magic Porridge Pot

The children will be:

- Reading the story of the magic porridge pot and making their own magic porridge.
- Tasting different types of cereal and identifying which is their favourite. Using this information to make simple graphs and tallies.
- Reading Goldilocks and the three bears and comparing the two stories.
- Introducing number 5: numeral and composition (Nursery), addition (Reception).
- Taking part in Safer Internet Day with the school and thinking about what to do if they see something they don't like online.