

The newsletter is specifically for parents and carers of children in our EYFS setting. We aim to provide you with updates about the learning that has been taking place, what we are looking forward to next and how you can support your child at home.

Nursery

Coming up this half term

This half-term our topic is called 'Stories from Around the World'. We will be looking at stories from different parts of the world and discussing cultural differences and similarities. We will be exploring different animals, from different countries, and their habitats.



Talk for writing

Our Talk for Writing is 'We're Going on a Lion Hunt'. We will be practising retelling a simple version of this story using actions and props. The children will become familiar with the repeated refrains and begin to use story maps to retell the story independently.





5 favourite stories

To support the children with our new topic, we have chosen 5 favourite stories that we will read regularly over this half-term. These stories are; Handa's Surprise, Mr Wolf's Pancakes, Handa's Hen, Mr Wrinkles, and I love Beasts.



Diploma

Our diploma for this half term is to 'Actively contribute to my local community'. To complete this diploma, we will be linking with a local care home to use our mark making skills to design and make some lovely cards.

How you can help

To help support your child with their story telling development, they can practise retelling our Talk for Writing story and the repeated refrains.

Our number of the half-term is 5. Practise counting forwards and backwards to 5 and writing the numeral. It would also really support your child if they could practise saying how many objects they can see without counting to 5.







Reception

Coming up this half term

This half term our topic is 'Turn the Page'. This topic has a strong History link as we will be focusing on traditional tales. We will be comparing these tales to different modern and cultural versions. We will explore the similarities and differences between the stories; concentrating on past and present times.



Talk For Writing

Our Talk for writing story for this half-term is 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will be practising retelling a simplified version of this story using key vocabulary and actions. The children will then have fun innovating this story by changing the characters, setting or ending.



5 Favourite Stories

The stories we have chosen for this half-term are; Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Jack and Beanstalk, Rapunzel, and Hansel and Gretel. We will use these stories as a focus to help support us with our writing and vocabulary development.



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How you can help

Allow children to have fun with familiar stories by encouraging them to change the beginning, middle or ending. They could also use the story language to practise their own versions and put on a performance for their family or friends.

Another way to support your child's learning at home is by playing maths games such as snakes and ladders or dominoes. This supports their number development and problem solving skills whilst also building on their ability to take turns and follow rules.



