

## Literacy

In phonics this term the children will be focusing on the sounds in phase 2, which is largely the letters of the alphabet. The programme Phonics Bug will be used to deliver the sessions, which is a fun interactive programme. We will also have a daily 'dough disco' to improve our fine motor control and pencil grip and weekly take part in 'Squiggle me into a cursive writer' activities looking at both our gross and fine motor skills as well as letter formation in a cursive style, using different media. Each session is delivered to music which supports the formation of the letters being taught.

In addition to this the children will be focusing on the stories related to traditional tales based in the home 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Three Little Pigs and Little Red Riding Hood'

## PE

On Monday's children take part in a variety of sports activities including Balanceability and will therefore need to wear their school tracksuit for the whole day on Monday's

Following current sports guidelines earrings must be removed for children to take part in PE lessons.

Can parents please ensure that their child has a pair of wellies and waterproof clothing in school each day so that we can access the outdoor classroom in all weathers. In the winter weather they will also need a hat and gloves (not mittens).

## Reception - Autumn Term

### Traditional Tales

#### Topic

As the children settle into the new term we will be learning about our families and homes. The main focus of our topic work will be based around traditional tales and in particular those that are based around homes.

We will also learn about Harvest and focus on the story of 'The Little Red Hen'

#### Special Days

Monday - Motivate Monday  
- Reading Books

Wednesday - Reading books

Thursday - Hand in Learning logs

Friday - Forest School  
- Reading books  
- Golden Time

For Golden Time children can bring in a toy from home that they would like to share with the class.

## Mathematics

In Maths this term the children will be focusing on numbers 1-5. Within these numbers they will learn to 1-1 count numbers, subitise, addition and subtraction to 5, compare identical groups of objects and non-identical groups of objects. We will also use the BBC numberblocks to support us in our learning of number.

There are many practical ways at home that you can support Maths such as looking for numerals in the environment, counting out objects when shopping or laying the table for meal times or discussing the differing sizes of everyday objects

## Homework

Reading- The children will bring home a variety of books to match the phonics they have been taught in that week or previous weeks. Reading diaries are checked and books are changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday if they have read the book at home. If you require the book to be changed on a different day please let us know. Books will also be allocated on their Active Learn Account. The children will soon bring home a weekly homework challenge in their learning log. This will be linked to the topic work and will be a variety of tasks covering all areas of learning. This will be set on a Friday to be returned the following Thursday. Reading and reading well is an important part of your child's development. Please try to support this by reading at home at least 3 times a week.