

Communication & Language
Literacy Development

Children will be:

- 👉 Retelling different Fairy Tales
- 👉 Beginning to use phonics and word knowledge to support their reading and writing
- 👉 Developing pencil control and letter formation

So that they...

- Can learn new sentence structures
- Can use finger spaces when writing
- Can write correctly formed letters to record their thoughts and ideas

Mathematical Development

Children will be:

- 👉 Explore patterns within 5 and some greater than 5
- 👉 Explore patterns that show a group and '1 more'
- 👉 Continue to develop counting strategies
- 👉 Breakdown and make quantities
- 👉 Play games which involve comparing sets

So that they...

- Order numbers and match numerals
- Count objects accurately
- Understand that whole numbers are made up of smaller parts
- Compare sets using language of comparison including 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'an equal number'

How you can help at home

- 👉 Encourage your child to talk about and retell well-known Fairy Tales. Do you have any stories from when you were a child?
- 👉 Read your book every night and record in reading diary at **least twice per week** - bring the reading diary to school **every Wednesday**
- 👉 Read at least one book a week on **Bug Club** - log in details are in the children's yellow reading diaries

Events

Indoor PE - Monday: Sunstone & Tuesday: Starstone
PE kits must be kept in school

Outdoor PE - Monday: Starstone & Thursday: Sunstone

Appropriate shoes must be worn (no laces)

Reception parent workshop on Phonics - Wednesday 24th January at 2.30pm

Trip to Idea store - TBC

Reception show - Thursday 13th February at 3pm.

Fairy Tales



Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Children will be:

- 👉 Participating in weekly Jigsaw carpet times; this half terms focus is Dreams and Goals

So that they...

- Understand that they can tackle challenges
- Set a goal and work towards it
- Use kind words to encourage others
- Understand the link between what they learn now and the job they might like to do when they are older
- Know what it means to feel proud

Physical Development

Children will be:

- 👉 Using quoits and hoops
- 👉 Following instructions in PE sessions
- 👉 Stopping on command
- 👉 Travelling in a variety of ways, showing an awareness of contrasts in speed and level
- 👉 Developing pencil control and letter formation

So that they...

- Can throw and catch quoits and aim into a hoop
- Can use the apparatus safely
- Can write letters correctly

Expressive Arts & Design

Children will be:

- 👉 Representing their own ideas thoughts and feelings during role play
- 👉 Listening to rhythms and beats
- 👉 Singing a new song and using their ideas to add actions

So that they...

- Develop storylines in their pretend play
- Can play an instrument along to a beat (claves)
- Can perform a song with actions at our show!

Understanding the World

Children will be:

- 👉 Making story maps
- 👉 Exploring different materials

So that they...

- ask questions and make observations about the place where they live
- begin to understand the natural world