



<p><b>Literacy</b> In literacy we will focus on traditional tales from the UK and around the world. We will read Jack and the beanstalk and the 3 little pigs. The children will sequence pictures, re-tell stories and write their own versions of the stories. To improve our sentences, we will be focusing on using adjectives to add detail to interest the reader.</p>	<p><b>Numeracy</b> We continue to follow the NCETM scheme which is giving children a secure foundation in number and pattern. We will focus on number bonds to 10 and counting objects to 20. We will look for shape in our environment and use measure to build homes for the 3 little pigs.</p>
<p><b>Phonics</b> This half term we are not learning any new sounds. Instead we move into phase 4 which is applying the phonemes we have already learned in phases 2 and 3 to read words. We will be continuing to work on our sight reading of the harder to read words from phases 2, 3 and 4 and will begin to practice spelling the phase 3 tricky words. We will be working on improving the children's fluency and comprehension of what they have read to demonstrate understanding.</p>	<p><b>PSE</b> Children will be learning about how to understand and recognise their own feelings and the feelings of others. They will be thinking about 'fair' and 'unfair' situations and how to sort out disagreements. We will be exploring what it feels like to miss someone and talk about how to feel better if this makes us sad. We will be playing lots of games to explore this theme.</p>
<p><b>Physical Development and PE</b> This half term we will focus on games, especially developing our ball handling skills. We will focus on throwing and catching and being aware of the space we are in. We will continue to develop our gross and fine motor skills to ensure we have a good pencil grip and are forming letters correctly.</p>	<p><b>Exploring Media and materials</b> Children will be responding to their experiences using a range of creative tools, for example sculpture, dance, music and role play during MOOL time. Children will be encouraged to be as creative and imaginative as possible. Children will continue their music sessions with Miss Cooke and we will continue to use instruments and dance to music in our own learning time too.</p>
<p><b>Understanding the World</b> This half term we will introduce Barnaby Bear who likes to travel and is interested in people and places. We will learn geographical vocabulary and will use it to describe where we live and the places we visit. We will continue to visit our woodland every week and learn about what creatures and plants live there.</p>	<p><b>Special events</b> Stay and play 4<sup>th</sup> May The Queen's Jubilee celebration 27<sup>th</sup> May</p> 
<p><b>You can help your child at home by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensuring that your child is reading their home reading book every night</li> <li>• Practising reading the tricky words 'on sight' as they occur in sentences</li> <li>• Number Formation – we are working hard on our letters but our numbers need lots of practise too</li> <li>• Encourage conversations and spend time explaining things</li> </ul>	