

Reception Newsletter

Summer 2024



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Our topic this half term is 'Once Upon a Time'

Thank you for coming to support the children on their Sports Morning. Here are a few photos from that day.



Diary Dates

6th June - D Day art exhibition (from 3pm)

18th June: Bumblebees trip to Cosham library

19th June: Snails trip to Cosham library

Walk to church—date to be confirmed

Newsletter challenge

Together with your child, complete the questions on the newsletter. Tick them off as you complete them.



Wow moments

Attached to our newsletter is a WOW moment card. This is for you to celebrate any new learning or skills that you have seen your child achieve at home.

Please fill in the card and return it to school so we can celebrate with the children.

As the weather is finally warming up, please could your child come to school with a named sunhat and with sun cream applied.

Please bring in a labelled suncream for your child for use in school.



Reading

The children have been working hard with their reading in phonics. We will continue to send home books, new letter sounds and tricky words to practise at home with you.

Please try to read with your child at least 4 times a week and tick on the home reading sheet.

We will also be sending home a story book for you to read with them.

Please bring in your book bag every day.

Personal and social development

The children will be talking about changes and how they feel about moving on to Year One.

Physical development

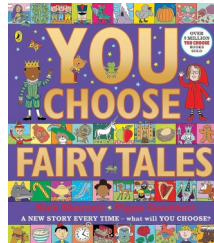
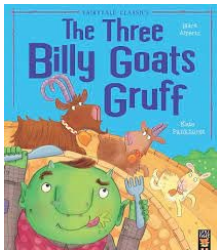
This term, the PE focus is athletics. The children will be practising a range of athletics skills.

They will continue to develop their handwriting skills, practising forming letters correctly and keeping letters the same size.

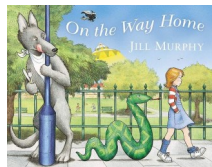
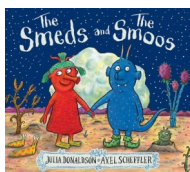
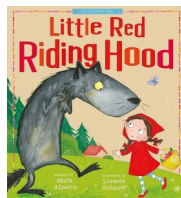
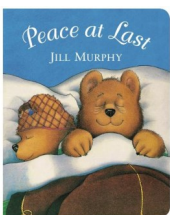
Maths

In maths, they will be learning about number patterns and counting beyond 20. They will talk about numbers that are greater or less than another number. They will also practise their number bonds to 5 and 10.

Can you remember all the ways to make 5?



Our Super Six books for this half term



Can you draw a picture of your favourite fairy-tale character?

Communication and language

The children will be retelling a range of traditional stories. They will be talking about the characters in the stories. They will continue to learn a range of poems and rhymes.

Literacy

The children will be listening to and retelling traditional stories this year, such as Little Red Riding Hood. They will be answering questions about what happened about the story.

Phonics

We continue to be amazed with how the children have been working in their phonic lessons. The children are practising reading words and new tricky words.

The children will be using their phonic skills to write their own stories based on the stories they have heard.

Can you answer questions about the stories you are reading?

Expressive Arts and design

The children will be creating their own trolls using pastels. They will also work together to create a new blanket for Granny by decorating fabric.

Can you make a drawing or painting of your favourite fairy tale character?

Understanding the World

The children will be exploring bridges and will think of ways of creating their own bridges for the troll. They will explore how to make their bridge stronger.

The children will go on a Summer walk around the school. They will be finding out about places that are special to some people, such as churches and temples.

They will have the opportunity to use a laptop, learning how to log on and type their name.