Foundation Stage Newsletter Friday 28th February 2020



Reception

We hope you had a great half term break and are back ready for our next busy half term. Firstly, we must say a huge well done to all of the children who attended our visit to the Thinktank yesterday. They were wonderfully behaved and were super role models for our school. We all had lots of fun the children were very creative and explored lots of areas of our curriculum. They all have had different favourite moments. We will put a display of photographs up soon. This week we have changed the children's routine slightly and have extended our outdoor child initiated learning but also have extended some classroom based learning into the afternoon, this is to begin preparing the children for their move to KS1. The children have coped very well with the change and are producing some fantastic work. This week we have begun to look at traditional tales with our focus on Goldilocks. The children have been sequencing the story, creating wanted posters using descriptive language, ordering items by size and labelling. In our maths sessions we have continued to look at addition with the children writing their own number sentences. Some groups have been placing the biggest number in their head and counting on, while others have been combining groups of cubes to help them find the total. In our phonic sessions now we are beginning to look at digraphs this is where two letters hold hands to make one sound eg sh, ch, th, ng.

Reminders!

Friday 6th March we are dressing up as book characters for our World Book Day event. Next parent praise assembly is Friday 13thMarch 2:45pm everyone is welcome to attend. Easter Celebration April 2nd RM&AM Pre-School 11:00am RL&PM Pre-School 2:30pm All children must have water bottles in school please in line with our topic we will no longer be providing plastic cups.

Pre-School

This week in Pre-School we have started our new topic of Traditional Tales. Our first story we have been looking at is the 'Gingerbread Man'. It was lovely to see most of the children had read this story before as it is one of our favourites! We have read the story in different way such as looking at the books and listening to someone read it on the interactive whiteboard. The children have enjoyed joining in with the repeated refrains and phrases. In small groups children have also enjoyed creating their own gingerbread man in different ways. We used an outline of a gingerbread man where the children used different 2D shapes to create his eyes, nose, mouth and buttons. We then used playdough gingerbread cutters and uses pom poms and sequins for his features. Next week we are looking at '3 Little Pigs!'

Wrap Around

This week in wrap around we have also began looking a Traditional Tales starting with 'The 3 Billy Goats Gruff'. We have been sequencing the story and using props and puppets to tell it ourselves. We enjoyed changing our voices to match the characters, especially Big Billy Goat Gruff with a low loud voice! We have also been using construction to build bridges for the goats to cross, we tested them by putting the different sized goats on. We have also been working on our number recognition and counting by rolling a dice to see how many flowers we have to put in the meadow.

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