

Foundation Stage Curriculum Outline 'Terrific Tales!' Autumn Term (2) 2021

Communication & Language/Literacy (CLL)

As part of our 'Terrific Tales!' topic, we will be reading a selection of classic fairy tales and being able to retell some from memory. In phonics, we will be focusing on blending and segmenting words orally as well as learning new graphemes and digraphs. As we gain confidence, we will be aiming to spell small words independently. We will also be thinking about our handwriting and how to form letters correctly. We will have many opportunities to talk and express ourselves verbally, thinking about speaking clearly and using repeated phrases and story language from the fairy tales that we have thought about. We will also work on following more complex instructions carefully. There will also be a focus on new vocabulary associated with traditional tales.



Mathematics

In Mathematics we will be developing our skills when counting objects accurately and recognising the numbers up to 5, including zero. We will continue to explore basic addition and subtraction, thinking about 'one more' and 'one less'. There will be a focus on number bonds to 5 as well as forming our numbers correctly when writing them. We will also think about 2D shape names, money and time linked to the numbers to 5.



Understanding the World (UW)

As part of our fairy tale topic, we will be thinking about changes that we can observe when we make porridge and cook gingerbread men. We will think about the best materials to use when building a house for the three little pigs and we will think about how our mail reaches us after reading the story of 'The Jolly Postman'. There will also be opportunities to create maps of our local area and to hopefully go and post some letters of our own! We will be thinking about the celebrations of Bonfire Night and Diwali as well as preparing for the most wonderful time of the year! (Sssh! Don't mention Christmas yet!)

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

This term we will be focusing on the theme of 'Celebrating Difference'. We will be thinking about what we are good at, what makes us special and what makes a good friend. Our feelings and opinions will be an important part of our circle times as we think about how to respond in a range of social situations where we need to consider the feelings of others.

Physical Development and P.E

P.E will be taught on a **Wednesday** morning, and we are lucky enough to have Mrs Mawson (Carre's Outreach) working with us. This half term, the children will be working on basic movements and following instructions. We will work outdoors when possible, so warm P.E. kit is essential. There will also be a range of activities on offer each day to develop gross motor skills (e.g. large building blocks, obstacle courses) & fine motor skills (e.g. cutting, Lego).



**It essential that your child comes to school in their P.E. kit on Wednesdays.
PLEASE ensure that all items are named and that they have several warm layers for outdoor P.E. sessions!**

Religious Education (R.E.)

In R.E. we will learn about 'Special People to Me', thinking about significant people in our families, school and wider community. We hope to visit our local church to see what it is like, and which special people work there. We will develop the use of our classroom reflection area and begin to write our own prayers. There will be opportunities for 'bubble' Collective Worship in the school hall led by Mr Hodgson as well as learning some special assembly songs.



Expressive Arts & Design (EAD)



There will be many opportunities for painting, drawing, model making and role-play throughout this term! We will be creating posters, collages, models and paintings. Our role play area will be a fairy tale cottage where we can act out the stories that we have shared together. Each week we will take part in a music lesson where we will explore our voices and play a selection of musical instruments.

*We will continue to send home reading books and phonics activities for you to share with your child. Please spend a few moments each day looking at them. Little and often makes all the difference to your child's learning! **New reading books will be sent home each Wednesday (staff permitting). Please don't forget to record the reading in the reading diary so that we know books need changing.** Thank you for your help and support so far. This term is always busy and filled with learning, a time when we really start to see progress with reading and writing!*

Mrs Moseley, Mrs Mansfield and Mrs Berry November 2021

