

This half term, we are going to be learning about some traditional tales such as Jack and the Beanstalk, The Little Red Hen and Goldilocks and the 3 Bears.

### **'What will I be learning about?'**

We will be using this theme to explore and develop our knowledge of how stories are structured and become familiar with specific story language for example Once upon a time..... . We will learn how to use adjectives to describe characters from the stories.

### **PSHCE-Jigsaw Piece Four- Healthy Me**

Once again PSHE will form a big part of our curriculum, as we have with the previous half terms, we will be following the Jigsaw scheme of learning. The focus will be on looking at being healthy.

**PE-** We are starting a skills unit on different ways of travelling and jumping.

**Design and Technology-**We will be designing fruit kebabs and making them, then best of all, eating them. We will learn how to use tools correctly and safely to prepare the fruit.

**Art Drawing and Painting-** We will be exploring different media this half term within the subject of Art. We will be looking in detail at the artist Matisse. We will be producing pieces of art inspired by his collage work.

**English-Reading and phonics is our number one priority. Reading holds the key that allows your child to access their learning across the whole curriculum.**

*We will be reviewing our phonics daily as well as additional intervention groups for the children who need it.*

*In addition to this, children are reading daily in guided reading groups and sharing lots of exciting books as a class.*

***Some of the books we are sharing as a class are- 'Jack and the Beanstalk', 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Handa's Surprise'.***

We will be reading different non-fiction books to research facts about castles.

We can't stress enough how important reading at home is. Please could you ensure your child has their yellow liaison book and reading book everyday.

**Phonics-**We are continuing to learn how to spell year 1 common exception words.

We will be revisiting all phase 3 sounds, as well as the phase 5 sounds we learnt last term. We will be learning more phase 5 alternate graphemes this half term. Some children will be continuing to access phonics interventions.

### **Science**

We are continuing to explore animals, including humans and will be learning and labelling body parts. We will also find out which body part we use for our 5 Senses. We will do some investigations using our senses.

### **History**

The children will be learning about Castles and Conisborough Castle as it is in our own locality.

### **Geography**

The main focus within geography this half term is comparing England with another country on a different continent, that of Kenya in Africa.

We will also be identifying the countries and continents on a world map.

To aid learning, we will be exploring globes and atlases. We will also be exploring Google maps.

**\* Reminders \***

**PE kits**

Each week your child will participate in two PE sessions. Children need to bring PE kits to school on Monday and leave it in school until Friday. Our P.E days are Monday and Wednesday this term.

**All children must have appropriate PE kit and should not wear any jewellery including earrings.**

**School times.**

Class Two are arriving at school at 8.45 am. They will be leaving school at 3.00pm.

**Home reading**

We are continuing to organise our home reading books in line with the latest Government guidance published in July. Children will have a phonics reading book and a reading practice book. Our new reading books are much more challenging than previous schemes we have used and there is a lot of new vocabulary in them. It is worth spending time talking to your child about the new vocabulary so they understand it's meaning. They need to bring their books to school every Thursday and new books will be sent home on Fridays. There was a separate letter explaining how this will work sent out last term.

**Homework**

**Homework will be sent home on Fridays and will need to be returned on Thursday.**

**Maths**

This term we will continue to use our knowledge of number place value within 20 and apply this looking at addition and subtraction. We will also begin to look at number place value within 50. Lastly we will begin measuring length and height.

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**Once upon a story....**

