

Friday 30th November 2018

Dear Parents,

Traditional Tales



Over the last two weeks, we have shared many traditional tales books and the children have enjoyed chanting the repeated refrains. We have particularly focussed on ‘The Wolf’s Story’ and ‘The 3 Little Wolves and The Pig Bad Pig’. The children predicted what might happen at the end of the story but who would have thought that the pig wouldn’t blow down a house constructed of sweet smelling flowers? The children thought it would be too fragile and therefore blow it straight down!



During child-led sessions, we have enjoyed constructing mazes, tunnels and interesting pathways so that the wolf can ‘huff and puff’ the ball through. The children have also created their own games and invented their own scoring systems! This week, we have



been creating Wolf and Little Red Riding Hood ‘huff and puff’ paintings using straws. The children have been really persevering to blow the paint so that it moves in different directions to create the fur and cape swishing in the wind. The children have also



relished dressing up to re-enact the twisted traditional stories and write fabulous words and sentences with super drawings to accompany them. We are so proud.

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Maths

In Maths, we are learning to add so that we can add the total number of logs/sticks for the 3 Little Pigs house. The children roll the dice and say the number. They count out the correct number of objects before rolling the dice again. The children then count how many objects altogether. They have been recording this by using the signs 'add' and 'equals' to form a 'number sentence'. We have also been ordering and sequencing numbers to build on the children's understanding of pattern.

PE

In PE, the children have been exploring actions as well as playing an 'under, over and around' game with their talking partner. Last week, we used masking tape to create shapes and numbers on the floor and then the children ran to the correct shape/number when the music stopped. We even used our addition skills to find the total number on the floor. Next week, we will continue to develop their fundamental movement skills such as running, jumping, hopping and skipping and also further increase their action vocabulary.



Christmas Activity Morning and Nativity

Our annual Christmas Activity morning is fast approaching. We hope that you can all join us next **Friday 7th December** for an hour of Christmas craft and activities with your child. This event will be



held in the hall and will commence our festive celebrations.

The children are now in full swing of rehearsing for our School Nativity – 'The Sleepy Shepherd'. Please support your child to learn the words stuck in their action word books and bring in clothes (if required) as soon as possible. Many thanks.

Progress checks

You will have seen in the whole school newsletter that Progress Checks are going out soon, please can we clarify that these don't go out to Reception Parents' at this point. We feel that the Parents' evening gives

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enough information about your child's progress at this time. An interim report will go out in March and a full report in July.

Yours sincerely,

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