



"Working Together, Learning Forever"

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. I have also suggested ways in which you can help your child at home. Included with this information you will also find an overview of how we deal with behavioural issues in school.

Thank you for your support,

Class: Reception

Term: Autumn

Theme: Wonderful World of Stories

Main areas of study:	<p>Mrs Evans, Mrs Maher, Mrs Bird and the Foundation Phase Team welcome you to Reception. This term we will be exploring traditional tales through our topic 'A Wonderful World of Stories'. This exciting topic looks at both traditional and alternative versions with aims to writing our very own stories! We will be looking closely at different characters, settings and roleplaying stories through Pie Corbett. During our topic sessions, the children will listen to stories and use their imagination to bring them to life. They will use their senses to explore the world around them as they explore the characters and events in our much loved traditional tales. The children will have the opportunity to engage with stories and explore their feelings and thoughts as they listen, read or watch. As the children explore these texts, they will develop their communication and language skills along with their personal, social and emotional skills as they explore stories from the different perspectives of the characters i.e. is the Wolf really the baddy? Should Goldilocks have gone into someone else's home?</p> <p>In numeracy, the children will explore 3D shapes as they create castles. They will also develop their positional language as they describe where the mean troll is hiding from</p>
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	<p>the story Little Billy Goats Gruff. We will be looking at number and place value along with sorting and grouping items together. We will be exploring simple addition and subtraction and learning how to measure through play.</p> <p>We will also be following our Read, Write, Inc scheme whereby children are introduced to different sounds to develop reading and writing. Your child will now have a designated reading day and on that day each week we will listen too and develop a love for reading. We have loved getting to know your children over the last couple of weeks and are very excited to get stuck in to this new academic year.</p>
Ways in which you can help at home:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Please send any interesting objects to school (not valuable items, please). ▪ Please listen to your child reading at home every night (a Reading Diary is provided for you to make comments). ▪ Don't forget to carry on with the Pori Drwi rhymes. ▪ In your child's reading folder you will find Oxford Reading Tree character flash cards to help your children familiarise themselves with the characters. ▪ Visit the local library to choose books relevant to topics being studied at school. ▪ Talk to your child about the range of geographical features in their locality. ▪ Gym will take place every Thursday, please ensure the children come to school wearing a gym kit and appropriate footwear.
Ways you can help us?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do you have any expertise in this area and would like to share it with us? ▪ Do you have any artefacts or interesting objects we could use?

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