

Summer Term 1 Curriculum Overview for Early Years Foundation Stage- Once upon a time....

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- We will play collaborative games, encouraging turn taking and experiencing winning and losing. We will talk about how this makes us feel.
- We will explore different fairytales and discuss the actions of the characters. For example, we will think about whether Goldilocks was a good character or was she wrong to take the porridge as it didn't belong to her!
- We will continue to explore how the actions of others can make us feel.

Communication & Language

- Drawing club will continue to build vocabulary, and we will encourage the children to use longer more complex sentences when talking about books and stories.
- We will discuss characters and why they were good or bad characters, reasoning our thoughts and ideas.
- We will predict what might happen next in mixed up fairy tales and use our ideas to create puppet shows to share with each other.

Physical Development

- Our PE sessions this term will be all about Growing! The children will focus upon movements and balance to help develop their co-ordination skills.
- In class there will be lots of opportunities to develop our fine and gross motor skills.
- We will make sandcastles in the sand pit and create cut out characters to play with.
- We will create trails to follow. Like Hansel and Gretel, using different objects.

Literacy

- In Phonics we are continuing to consolidate our knowledge of the phase 3 sounds for reading and writing. We will practice the digraphs and tri-graphs that are tricky to remember, so that we become more fluent with these.
- We are becoming more confident with our writing, and we will really concentrate on independence this term. We will share write together, but have the opportunity to have a go on our own to develop our own thoughts and ideas.
- We will read lots of different fairytales and plan our own stories. We will create wanted posters for the wolf and describe characters.

Mathematics

- We will continue to develop our knowledge of numbers using the NCETM mastering number scheme.
- We will explore measuring using the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. We will use non-standard measures to find things bigger, smaller and the same size.
- We will think about doubles, as well as continuing to develop our knowledge of numbers and the number system.

Understand the World

- This term, we will be observing growing plants. We will plant beans and watch them go through the different stages of the life-cycle.
- We will read Sleeping beauty and plant a forest to grow around her castle. We will observe what happens and think about what plants need to grow and survive.
- We will learn about the Royal family, and compare them to the Kings and Queens in fairy tales. We will look at similarities and differences between life now and then.
- We will investigate materials, building bridges for the Billy Goats and houses for the 3 Little Pigs!

Expressive Arts & Design

- We will make simple puppets of fairy tale characters and act out stories.
- We will design and create fairy tale castles and crowns to wear.
- In music, we will be creating music to accompany stories, we will explore how music can change the mood or represent characters.

