

# Traditional Tales



**Welcome back for the second part of spring term...**

This half term we will be learning through stories focusing on Traditional tales. The children will be taking part in lots of first hand experiences, from baking bread as we talk about The Little Red Hen story, to making bridges in woodwork for the Three Billy Goats Gruff and planting beans like Jack in Jack and the Beanstalk. The Children will be telling their own stories while an adult scribes them and we act the stories out on our stage. This a powerful way for children to see literacy in action from the spoken



## Tapestry and Writing/Mark Making

In reception class we are working hard on our pre cursive letter formation and we practise first thing every day. It would be a big help if you could encourage your child to write at home and take a quick snap of any independent writing they have produced such as shopping lists or birthday cards, letters or numbers and upload onto tapestry (online learning journal). If you are not sure how to do this or if you have any trouble logging on please let us know.

## Useful Dates:

**Monday 2nd - Friday 6th March** - Book fair on KS2 after school

**Wednesday 4th March** - visit to the library

**Thursday 5th March** - World book day — dress up as a book character — planned activities across school

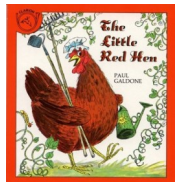
**Friday 27th March** - Owl class cake sale (bring 50p to buy a cupcake/bun or cookie)

**Friday 3rd April** - Egg rolling (bring in a decorated hard boiled egg) - Break up for Easter Holidays.

## Teacher and parent meetings.

The feedback from our new style of parents meetings has been very positive. We will contact you to let you know when we are closely focusing on the learning and play of your child and ask you to give us any information you'd like to share and the following week we will arrange to meet with you to talk about your child's progress. In this way we aim to meet with every family every term. The nursery children will be included this half term.

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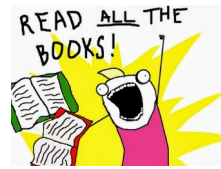


### Reading

The best way of helping your child to become a fluent reader is to read to them as much as possible. 5 stories a day is the recommended amount for children aged 5 and under. We have a bank of quality picture books available for you to borrow just inside the door.



We also are very lucky to have a library in the vil-



### **Names, Names, Names!**

Please can you make sure that everything your child brings into school is named, including: Clothing, shoes, wellies, PE kit, water bottles, packed lunch boxes and snack boxes. It will help us to track down anything that 'goes missing' to reunite with the owner!

### P.E.

Kangaroos will be doing P.E. on Wednesday mornings P.E. kits can be left on children's pegs and sent home each half term to be washed.

### Home Toys

**We can not guarantee that toys brought in from home will not get lost or damaged at school. To avoid upset we ask that they are left at home.**

### Wellies

As the weather is changeable and can be very cold and wet at this time of year we ask if possible that the children have a pair of wellies to use each day at school. Especially now we have an amazing new outside water area.



Also an adequate winter coat to keep them warm while playing, gloves and hat are also very helpful. This allows all the children to access all of the areas of learning.

### Creative modelling area

Please can you save any small boxes and cardboard tubes and bring to school, we love creating amazing models!



### Spare tights and socks

In this wet weather we are running short of spare tights and socks and any spares

**Please pop in to see us after school if there is anything you wish to discuss! Many thanks,**