



Class News

Autumn 2 2026

Once upon a time...

Terrific Tales

Overview: This term we will focus on the exploration of a range of traditional/ well known children's texts. Alongside this, we will explore non-fiction books linked to our 'Understanding the World' learning and topics of interest. We will learn about Diwali, Remembrance Day and Christmas as well as continuing with our learning and observation of seasonal changes from Autumn into Winter. Year R will visit the church, and take part in the EYFS/KS1 Christmas Nativity.

Maths:

- Match pictures and objects
- Counting, cardinality and ordinality of numbers to 10
- Comparison of numbers
- Part whole models
- Exploring 2D and 3D shapes
- Copy and complete simple patterns

Literacy and Phonics:

In Literacy, we will explore traditional tales

- Little Red Riding Hood
- Goldilocks and the Three Bears
- The Three Billy Goats Gruff

This term we will begin phase 3 phonics, learning digraphs and trigraphs and learning to read and write short sentences.

Other areas of learning:

Understanding the World: Diwali, Remembrance Day, Bonfire night and Christmas

Observing seasonal changes from Autumn into Winter

RE: Christmas traditions through time - learning about the Christian nativity story

Expressive Arts: Nursery rhymes, firework art, poppies, Christmas cards, junk modelling

PSED: Valuing Difference

We read a wide variety of picture books every day at story time

Vocabulary:

Character - A character is a person or animal in a story.

Story map - A plan of the order of a story using pictures.

Fiction - A story that describes imaginary events and people.

Design - A plan or drawing of an object before it is made.

How to help at home: Sharing stories at home is a lovely way to develop a child's love of reading as well as build their vocabulary. Please continue to read your decodable phonics book with your child throughout the week, the more you read with your child at home, the more they will grow in confidence and fluency with reading.

Outcome: Parents are welcome to join us for a session of Christmas crafts on Thursday 10th December at 3pm.

Key messages: Please ensure all of your child's belongings are named, including hats, gloves, coats and PE kits and that they have a water bottle with them every day. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school. These will stay in school until the Christmas break.