



# **EYFS** Newsletter



# Welcome back after the Christmas holidays. We hope you have had a lovely family break.

### **Topic**

This term our topic will be Once Upon a Time. We will be reading traditional tales such as The Gingerbread Man, Billly Goats Guff, Three Little Pgis and Little Red Riding hood. The children will be learning to retell these stories and use story language as they play with puppets and props. We will be acting in role as the characters and doing lots of crafts and baking linked to the stories.



We will also have mini topics of Winter through which we will look at seasonal change, Chinese New Year and Easter. Look out in the cloakroom for information and activities happening in school.

#### **Tapestry**

Thankyou to those parents who have returned letters and now have their own log in. This half term we will begin to occasionally send updates and information about what your child has been doing at school. If you would still like to join, please see a member of staff for a new letter and we can set you an account up.

#### The Library

This half term we will be starting to take Reception children to visit the local library to help develop their love of reading and its importance

#### Cold Weather

We will be due some cold weather, please ensure all children are wearing appropriate clothing and bring a hat, gloves or scarf to school. Can we also advise that every piece of your child's clothing is labelled.

#### EYFS Fund

We are still continuing with our 50p per week snack fund to ensure the children bake and enjoy a snack each day. Please tick off your child's name each week when paid and put the money in the pot. The book will be in the EYFS cloakroom.

## Foundation Stage Information

## Special points of interest:

- ©PE will take place for Reception on a Tuesday morning and all children on a Friday afternoon.
- ©Can all Reception children bring PE kit on these days. This should include shorts, T shirt, track suit bottoms, and trainers. All earings should be removed on these days.

#### Dates for diary...

6th January— Reception class assembly.

10th February— Parents' evening

13th February—valentines disco.

**5th March**—World Book Day

13th March—Sports Relief.

19th March—EYFS Mothers Day assembly.

## Homework—a big plea!

A big thankyou to those parents who supported their children at home with their reading and practicing sounds at home last half term. Unfortunately, there were a number of children not reading at home. I cannot stress enough the importance of children practicing their story telling, reading and sounds at home and would greatly appreciate your support with this this term. The Reception children have homework to complete three times a week. Please ensure they read their book, practice their letter sounds, numbers and keywords. Remember if children get three signatures they will be entered into the book draw each week. Occasionally they may have a sheet to complete for their number work this term too.

#### Home loan

We also have home loan book shelves in the cloak rooms. Nursery and Reception children are invited to borrow books from school to share at home—please sign the book on the stand in the cloak room when borrowing or returning books.