



P.P.S. Oak Class

January 2019
Spring Term

Once upon a time...

Welcome back to Oak Class, we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and found some time to relax! We have another exciting term ahead in Oak Class. Our topic for the next few weeks will be focusing on traditional tales such as Little Red Riding Hood, The Gingerbread Man and The Three Little Pigs.

Literacy

We will be reading a variety of traditional tales and exploring the different characters within the stories. As we read the stories, there will be many opportunities for role play in order to develop our understanding of the structure within stories, thinking about the beginning, middle and end. We will also become authors ourselves as we change the endings of traditional tales.

Mathematical Development

We will be continuing to develop our number skills, counting forwards and backwards with numbers to 20. We will be exploring how to represent these numbers using counters, Numberblocks and Numicon. We will also be adding with these practical resources, as well as beginning to count from the first number in order to find out the answer.

We will be exploring weight and will use scales as we weigh the ingredients and make gingerbread men.

Understanding the World

Whilst we read The Three Little Pigs, we will look at the different materials that were used to build their houses and make our own models using sticks, straw and bricks. We will use our

Forest School sessions to build dens and talk about how we can stay dry in the shelters that we make.

Below are a few activities that you might like to do with your child at home however please feel free to bring in any other learning activities you have carried out with your child.

- Read a traditional tale and act it out with your family and friends.
- Make your own traditional tale by changing the ending of a well known story. What else could Jack find at the top of the beanstalk? What could happen to the wolf at the end of Little Red Riding Hood?
- Look at the different materials that you can find inside and outside your house. Can you see plastic, metal or wood? Why has that material been used?
- Use your Numicon to add different pieces together. Can you count on from the first Numicon piece? Can you make totals above 10?

Thank you for continuing to support your child's learning at home, it makes a real difference in their learning journey. It has been fantastic to see so many comments on Tapestry, as well as observations of learning at home. If you still need to sign up to Tapestry or would like a new copy of your child's home challenge sheet, please see Mrs Fogden or Mrs Gill.