

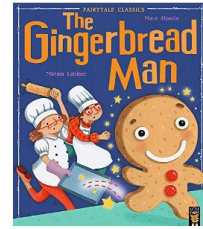


Reception Newsletter



Friday 7th June

It has been so lovely to welcome everybody back this week for our final half-term of Reception. We have begun our new topic of Traditional Tales by exploring the story of Jack and the Beanstalk. We have been learning how to perform the story by creating a story map in class. Next week we will be exploring the Gingerbread Man.



Phonics

We have been reading and writing words that contain a vowel digraph as well as a blend, this includes words such as 'toast' – the 'oa' is the long vowel and the 'st' is the blend. This means they have to be confident with their phase 3 long vowels as well as hearing all the sounds in the blend. We are finding that it can be tricky to hear all the sounds clearly, so the children may write 'toasd' instead. Please practise at home!

Reading

Please remember to explore the selection of e-books that are available to read at home alongside your weekly reading book from school. If you have any questions or issues accessing the e-books then please speak to your child's teacher at the end of the day.

Maths This week, we have been exploring the concepts of grouping and sharing. We have learned the proper technique of sharing a group of items by moving them one at a time until there are none left. We have pushed ourselves to share items with more than 2 people and talk about how many items each person has. We will continue to explore group-

Sports Day

A friendly reminder that our Sports day is to be held on Thursday 27th June at 2pm. If the weather is looking unfavourable, we will notify you ASAP with information on a new date. Once the children have completed their races, they can be collected to go home, or stay until the end of the day.

Open Classrooms.

Hopefully you have received information about the open classroom times for next week. This is a final chance to look through their writing books with your child and explore our class floor book to see what we've been getting up to. If your child's surname begins A-L then please come in on Tuesday from 3:30 - 4:00 and if your child's surname begins M-Z then please come in on Wednesday from 3:30 - 4:00. If there are any issues with dates then please speak to your child's teacher and we will try our best to accommodate you.

Jack and the Beanstalk

Home Learning Challenges



The bean grew into a beanstalk when it was planted in Jack's garden. Ask a grown-up if you can plant some seeds in your garden or in a plant pot. Think about how you can take care of your seed and help it to grow. You could take some photographs of your plant when it grows and bring them in to show everybody.

When you go to the supermarket, have a look at all the different shapes, sizes and colours that beans come in. They often come in tins or in packets (dried) but can be a bit tricky to find!



Create a character mask or stick puppet of Jack using a paper plate or piece of card. Then, use it to retell the main events of the story to members of your family.

The beanstalk was very tall. Can you find something in your house that is taller than you and something in your house that is shorter than you?



Imagine a giant beanstalk grew in your garden! Draw a picture of what you would like to find at the top of your beanstalk. Can you write your name on your picture?

