

# Little Acorns Nursery Newsletter

February-March 2023 Spring 2



### Once Upon a Time

This half term our theme is 'Once upon a time'. We are going to be reading fairytale stories and taking part in lots of fun activities. Some of these activities will include making porridge, planting and growing beans and baking Gingerbread biscuits.

In mathematics this half term, we will be learning to count from 1 to 5 and learning the names of some shapes. We will be using objects, singing number rhymes and looking at numbers and shapes in the environment to help us. We are also going to learn our primary colours 'red, blue and yellow'.

Books and rhymes linked to our theme. Books we are going to read linked to our theme

- The Gingerbread Man
- Jack and the Bean Stalk New songs and rhymes we are going to learn.
- When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears
- There was a princess long ago

### Important Information

- Morning session is 8:30am 11:30am
- Afternoon session is 12:15pm 3:15pm

Please take time to look at the Swain House Primary website. Photos of your children exploring activities and learning are uploaded throughout the terms. Photos can be found on Little Acorns Class Page - Class Gallery.

Please download the Marvellous me app onto your phone. We use this to send out reward badges for the amazing effort and learning your child has done at nursery.

### Messages

Please remember to bring a labelled water bottle and a rucksack containing nappies, wipes and spare clothing.

Snack money this half term is £3.00

### Core books and rhymes

We have been developing the use of 'core reading' books in nursery.

We have chosen books that are repetitive, predictable and often feature rhyme. This makes it easier for children to join in with, so that the experience of reading becomes interactive and the children begin to learn the story as they are read to.

This half term, our core books are

- Goldilocks and the Three Bears
- Peace at Last

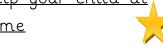




The core rhymes we will be learning and singing are

- Baa Baa Black Sheep
- Five Little Ducks

## How you can help your child at <u>home</u>



Share story books with your child at home; the time you spend sharing a book with your child is invaluable and makes a huge difference to their development. Encourage your child to count at home e.g. count steps as you walk up and down, count teddies, count cars etc. Talk to your child about what they have been learning at nursery. Encourage turn taking whilst talking and ask them questions which include who, what, why and when. Email photos of any star moments that happen at home e.g. sleeping in own bed or putting on their coat.

### Dates for your diary

Stay-and-Play Session- 21st March Easter Competition Entry- 28th March Easter Chocolate Raffle- 29th March