

Events

Chinese New Year Party
(Children to dress in red and gold)

Inset day

Half Term Holiday

Back to school

Dates

Thursday 7th January

Friday 15th February

Week Beginning 18th February

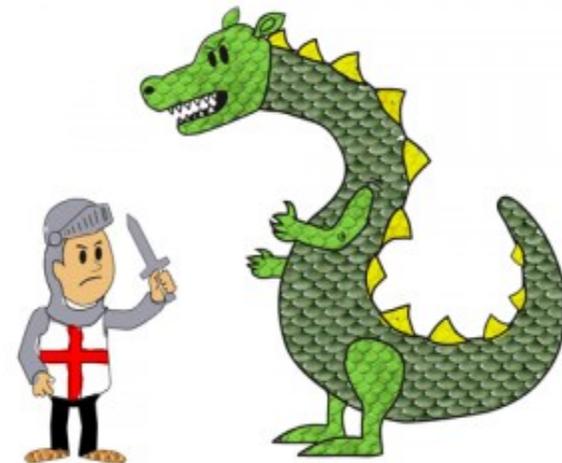
Monday 25th February



Spring Term 2019

Foundation

Fairy Stories



Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all. It is lovely to see the children back in school so happy and keen to learn.

Thank you so much for all of the lovely thoughtful cards and gifts and vouchers, that we received at Christmas. We were overwhelmed by your kindness.

The topic for this half term is **Fairy Stories**.

In **Literacy** we have acted out and learnt off by heart the story *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. We will be writing speech bubbles for the characters, and thinking about what they taste, smell and feel.

We have sequenced and retold the story *The Gingerbread Man*.

The children will be retelling and writing the story of *Little Red Hen*.

They will also be retelling the story *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*. Another story we will be enjoying is *George and the Dragon*. We will be going on a dragon hunt and making wanted posters.

In **Mathematics** we will be recognising and ordering numbers up to 20, as well as practising writing our numbers. We will be weighing ingredients. Children will also be learning the language used in addition and subtraction and doing lots of practical problem solving tasks. We will learn about halving and doubling.

In **R.E.** we are learning about belonging in our local environment and celebrating Chinese New Year.

We will be doing **P.E.** and getting changed every Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure that your child has navy shorts, jogging bottoms, white t-shirt, warm hoodie and black plimsolls, **all labelled clearly with their name**, in a named P.E. bag. Please ensure that all school clothes are also labelled.

Things to Remember

- Please arrive at school on time at 8:45am to enable us to begin our learning as soon as possible. We will be locking the classroom door as soon as the line is inside. We thank you for your support in ensuring your child does not miss out on the introduction to the school day.
- Remember to bring your reading folder to school everyday. The children will be reading on different days. Please always keep reading books in their wallets. We have had several books lost and now have incomplete sets which makes it very difficult for us.
- Please spend a short time each evening practising Bear Words and phonic books, including the two letter graphemes and phonemes. Make sure your child is saying the phoneme and only saying the hand writing rhyme when they are actually writing.
- Once your child can read the Bear Words, they can practise writing them.
- Practise correct letter formation, remember to begin each letter at the top, except d and e. Say the rhyme in the book to ensure that they go in the correct direction. Ensure that your child is holding their pencil correctly at all times, remind them about froggy legs!
- Please hear your child read for just 5 mins every night.

Five minutes, five days - progress will be made!