



## Our topic for this half-term is "Terrific Tales!"



### Welcome Back!

Hello and hope you have all had a restful break! We were very pleased with how well the children settled in last half term and are looking forward to welcoming them back. We have lots of fun things planned and are excited to see your child learn, develop and grow. If you have any questions, please speak to Miss Taylor at the end of the morning session.



### Terrific Tales!



Our topic for this half-term is 'Terrific Tales'. We will be immersing ourselves in lots of familiar stories including Goldilocks, The Gingerbread Man and other Winter stories. Your child will be encouraged to join in with rhymes, use new vocabulary and develop play around stories using puppets and props. They will also start to ask questions, share their own ideas and identify characters and events in a book they listen to.

In maths, we will be continuing to sing songs and count reliably to five or more and be able to show 'finger numbers' to three. We will be exploring and selecting appropriate 2D and 3D shapes to build with, combine to make new shapes and create patterns. In addition, we will be talking about the days of the week and seasons and starting to sequence daily events.



### General Reminders



- The unit gates will open at **8.40am** and close at **8.55am**. They will open again at **11.30 am** and children need to be collected by **11.45am**.
- Please provide your child with a full set of clothes to change into in case they get wet, dirty, are sick or have an accident. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled.
- Children will be receiving a reading book, of their choosing, every Friday for you to read with them and enjoy a story time together. More details about this will be given with the reading book.



### Diary Dates



- Parents Evening - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November
- Non-uniform day (donation for Christmas Fair) - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November
- Individual photos - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December
- Christmas Fair - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December
- Christmas Stay and Play and sing-a-long - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December
- Party Day - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December
- Term ends - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December.
- New term starts - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

### Christmas Stay and Play and Sing-a-long!



This year, we are inviting families to join us for a 'Christmas Stay and Play' on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December. We will be doing lots of Christmas crafts, fun activities and will end with a few Christmas songs that the children have learnt. More information will be given in a few weeks.