



## What we are learning in Reception Term 3 Our theme this term is 'Once Upon a Time'

<b>Reminders</b>	Our PE day is Thursday. This term we are practicing ball skills. Please send your child into school wearing PE kit every Thursday. Please ensure all belongings are named. Children should only have water in their bottles.
<b>Reading Café: Dates:</b>	14:45 – 15:10 Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January, Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January, Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Phonics</b>	We are starting phase 3 mastery lessons in Phonics – we will be focusing on reading independently and writing simple sentences which include common exception words. We will also be starting Guided Reading sessions in small groups too.
<b>Maths</b>	Each week will focus on a different unit of work. We currently use White Rose Maths to plan and teach our lessons. We will be covering numbers to 8 and mass and capacity. We can now count to 5 and identify 2D shapes.
<b>Communication and Language</b>	This term we will be doing lots of storytelling and acting out our favourite stories. We will be singing nursery rhymes and songs linked to traditional tales. We will be focusing on speaking in full sentences including 'because' to explain our ideas.
<b>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</b>	Our Jigsaw piece is called 'Dreams and Goals' where we will be learning how to overcome challenges, show perseverance and achieve special goals.
<b>Physical Development</b>	This term we will be developing our Ball Skills. We will be using different balls from a variety of sports – moving them in relay races, rolling and throwing, hitting targets, controlling balls with rackets, sticks and bats, bouncing and catching balls and then controlling a ball with our feet!
<b>Understanding the World</b>	Each week we will be focusing on a traditional tale and exploring the different themes through these stories - Little Red Riding Hood, The Gingerbread Man, Jack and the Beanstalk, The Three Little Pigs, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, and Goldilocks and the Three Bears.
<b>Expressive Arts and Design</b>	Our 'Artist of the term' is Andy Goldsworthy. The children will be exploring the outdoors and creating art using natural resources.
<b>Ways in which you can support your child's learning at home this term:</b> Reading a minimum of 3 times a week, encouraging your child to speak in full sentences and completing the Home Bingo tasks together.	