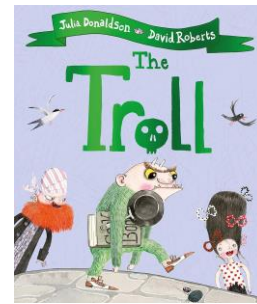
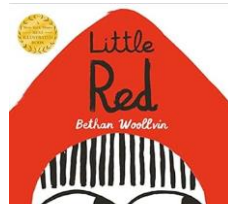
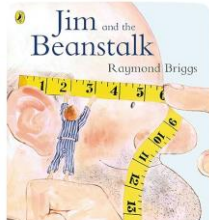


Key texts and topics.

We've got a busy fun-filled half term ahead of us!

Our topic this term is Untraditional Tales – a variation on traditional tales, where sometimes the roles are reversed!. We will be reading lots of fantastic stories that are full of familiar characters like Jack, giants, wolves, trolls and little red riding hood. Here's some of the texts we'll be sharing...



P.S.E.D. and SCARF

We will continue our work on being independent, following routines and instructions. We'll also be thinking about our attitudes and approaches and talking about having a 'can do' attitude and being resilient

SCARF –

Bouncing back when things go wrong

Yes, I can!

Healthy eating

My healthy mind

Move your body

A good night's sleep

Physical Development

Through our outdoor provision and hall time we will be learning new games and action rhymes and developing our skills using tools and equipment. We will be continuing our work on balance and coordination and basic ball skills and control.

In preparation for writing we will be practising our letter formation, you can do this at home using the formation rhymes sent home previously to help.

Communication and Language

We will be continuing to learn new words through the stories and discussions we have with the aim of learning to:

Ask a variety of questions

Tell others about their thoughts, feelings and opinions

Listen and respond to others appropriately

Apply new words in every day conversations



We will be continuing our Phase 3 work consolidating our knowledge of digraphs and trigraphs and learning to read longer words and moving onto phase 4!

Please keep practising tricky words at home-

I, go, to, the, no, is, into, he, has, she, as, her, we, be, me, my, they, all, are, was, you, sure, pure, said, so, have, love, like, some, come, do, were, here, little, says, there

Maths



We will be working with numbers to 10 to explore doubles, composition, addition and 1 more/less. We will be continuing our work on subitising, and different arrangements and ways to help us represent our ideas.

We'll also be looking at length, height, time pattern and 3D shapes.

Understanding the World

We'll be finding about the different jobs that people in our community do.

We'll be making bridges and testing them for size and strength.

As Spring moves towards summer, we will be looking at the seasonal changes this brings, tadpoles turning into frogs and caterpillars into butterflies. We'll be growing summer flowers too and competing in a tallest sunflower competition.

Expressive Arts and Design

Author and illustrator Bethan Woollvin is visiting school in the next couple of weeks and we're hoping to take inspiration from her work.

We'll also be painting characters from familiar stories, printing patterns and looking closely to recreate patterns from nature.

How you can help your child at home

Please read at home and sign your child's reading journal so we can add your efforts at home to our reading championship. We are trying to develop the children's fluency in reading so please when reading at home encourage them to read each sentence fluently (after they have decoded the words).

Practise the new sounds and tricky words we send home each week.

Encourage your child to be independent and to look after their things at school. It would also be a huge help if you could label their uniform with their name. Thank you for your support.

Please also read some traditional stories to your child such as The Gingerbread Man, The Three Billy Goats Gruff or Red Riding Hood. Having a good understanding of these stories will support the work we'll be doing in class.

