

# **Beaver Road Curriculum Newsletter**

Spring 1 - Year 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our topic this half term is '**Fairy and Traditional Tales.**'

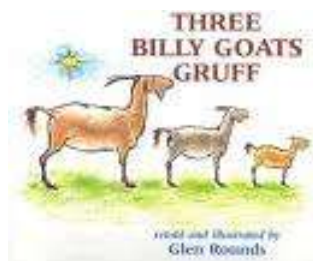
Here are some details about our topic this half term, along with information about trips and other events.

As an entry point to introduce the topic, please could you send your child in with their favourite fairytale story book, e.g. Cinderella on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January. On this day, we are inviting parents to volunteer to read stories to groups of children in school from 1.30 onwards, if you would be free to help, please inform your child's teacher.



## **Literacy**

- We will be reading a variety of fairy/traditional stories to find out what they are. We will be looking at characters and settings and describing these in detail.
- We will be focusing on the story of 'Little Red Riding Hood' and using 'Talk for Write' to retell and change the traditional story using the children's ideas.
- We will be reading and writing poems using rhyming words.



## **Mathematics**

We will be:

- Reading, writing and counting beyond 20.

- Adding and taking away numbers up to 20 and beyond.
- Learning about tens and units.
- Finding double of a number, odd and even numbers, counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.
- Forming our numbers correctly.
- Finding more and less for numbers up to 20 and beyond.

### **Topic**

Our role play area will be a **fairy tale cottage**. We will be making this with the children and shall develop it as we look at different stories. In Art, we shall be painting our own backdrops and in DT we will be designing and making our own character puppets and masks.



### **Support your child's learning at home**

- It is very important to read with your child everyday. Please ask your child questions about the story, the pictures and what they think of the characters. Ask them to retell the story in their words.
- Visit the library and look for books about fairy/traditional tales.
- In numeracy please practice counting up to 100 both forwards and backwards, count in two's and tens and practice number formation.
- Please keep practising reading and writing your tricky words.
- We always need lids, boxes, cartons and kitchen rolls so please donate these whenever you can.

### **PE**

- Monday – gymnastics
- Thursday – outdoor games

Please leave your child's PE kit at school which will include dark shorts, white t-shirt and pumps or trainers. It is important that your child brings in appropriate named clothing for outdoor games, e.g. trainers, tracksuit bottoms, fleece/jumper.

### **Naming items**

Please make sure that all of your child's belongings are clearly named so that misplaced items can be found quickly. We would also like to take this opportunity to stress that we encourage children of this age to take responsibility for their own belongings. Please can any money brought into school e.g. for trips, school dinners, be sent in a sealed envelope with your child's name, class and purpose on the front.

Many thanks for your support.

The Year 1 Team