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Dear Parents

Our topic for next term is 'Once upon a time....' which is all about traditional tales and fairy stories. We start our topic with a teddy bear's picnic and finish with Cinderella's ball. Some of the books we will be looking at are, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Jack and the Beanstalk, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, Little Red Riding Hood, The Gingerbread Man and Cinderella.

As part of Literacy we will be learning the story of 'The Gingerbread Man' through Talk for Writing, reading alternative versions of the stories, hot seating Goldilocks when she comes to visit, sequencing some of the stories, writing invitations to the ball, making wanted posters for the Gingerbread Man, writing recipes and labelling maps. We will continue learning our letters and sounds, focusing on diagraphs, two letters which make one sound and tricky words.

In Mathematics we will be comparing and ordering objects by size. This will include the bowls, chairs and beds from Goldilocks and the Three Bears and the three goats from The Billy Goats Gruff. We will also be weighing ingredients to make porridge and gingerbread men. We will continue to develop our problem solving skills which will include addition, subtraction, doubling and halving.

As part of our Personal, Social and Emotional development we will be thinking about whether some of the characters were right to do what they did and how they made people feel.

In Creative Development we will be using instruments to make music for the stories, for example, a giant's footsteps and goat's trip trapping over the bridge. Our role play areas

are themed around Goldilocks and the Three Bears and a cottage to enable children to act out the stories. We'll also be performing puppet shows. Please continue to send in items for junk modelling.

In Understanding the World we will be finding out about the animals within the stories, planting beans and finding out about spring. The children will use ICT throughout the topic to create pictures, watch a video clip of animals; program a Beebot to find the Gingerbread Man and take their own pictures of each other and the changing environment outside.

In Physical Development we will be using junk modelling and construction to build beanstalks, bridges and cottages. The children will have a go at sewing and we will be talking about ways to keep ourselves healthy and making a healthy picnic for The Three Bears.

Please check your child's wellies to ensure they fit and return them on the first day of term 4.

Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Migliaccio and Mrs Patel

Mrs Clark and Mrs Smith