

Year EYFS Half Termly Learning Update: Spring 2 2025



English

This half term in English we will be reading the story 'Goldilocks and The Three Bears'. Children will have the opportunity to practise their fine motor skills and writing sentences. Children are going to come up with their own sentences too!

We will be focusing on three stories this half term. The first story is 'Goldilocks and The Three Bears'. Children will be writing wanted posters for Goldilocks, apology letters to the bears and take part in roleplay.

The next story we will be reading is 'Handa's Surprise'. The children will learn about East African culture and explore the different way of life. Children will compare their own journey to school to Handa's journey. There will be an element of DT as children will be exploring African materials and observing the colours and patterns. They will be making Handa's dress using the materials.

Maths

This half term in Maths, we will be learning about height and capacity. We will be measuring the bears chairs and table using cubes and other items. The children will be using vocabulary such as 'tall, short, taller, shorter'. The children will start to compare heights. The children will learn to predict how tall/ short an object is.

The children will then learn about capacity. We will be focusing on vocabulary such as 'empty, full, more than, less than'. Children will discuss and compare the bowls of porridge.

We will then move on to 2D and 3D shapes. Children will learn to identify 2D shapes from 3D shapes. They will investigate the shapes and use them to create models as well as learn problem solving skills to know which shapes to use to build with.



Big Idea or So What?

Everyone around the world loves stories!



Our main curriculum drivers this half term is: an appreciation to stories from around the world.

In these lessons we will be learning to:

Respect other cultures.

Explore a range of materials to create a new item.

Compare items as well as journeys.

Also in this topic we are going to develop our cooking skills by identifying ingredients and making porridge for the three bears. The children will also be making comparisons between the journey that they make to school with Handa's journey. Children will be learning to draw their own maps too! We will also be labelling different parts of the elephants that we see in Handa's surprise. Children will be experimenting with colours and using pipettes to drip colours onto calico fabric.

By the end of this unit, we will understand that stories are loved all around the world and that we can learn about other cultures from these stories.

