

# Traditional Tales and Christmas

## Main Topics

The children have chosen the following traditional tales to focus on:

- The Gingerbread Man
- Goldilocks and the Three Bears
- The Three Little Pigs
- The Elves and the Shoemaker

The children will then experience the topic Christmas.

## Topic WOW events!

- Launch - Children and parents will be invited to our bed time story event.
- Celebration - The children will experience a traditional tales puppet show.
- Christmas - The children will perform a nativity.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children will:

- learn to show sensitivity to others needs and feelings
- become confident to try new activities
- talk about how they and others show feelings,
- talk about their own and others' behaviour and its consequences

## Communication and Language Development

The children will learn:

- to listen to stories with increasing attention and recall and join in with repeated refrains
- to respond to instructions
- to use language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences
- to introduce a storyline or narrative into their play

## Physical Development

The children will learn:

- to negotiate space successfully when playing racing and chasing games
- to experiment with different ways of moving
- to develop their pencil grip and control
- to form more recognisable letters
- the importance of physical exercise

## Literacy

The children will continue to learn:

- to hear and say the initial sounds in words
- to recognise letters by sound
- to orally blend and segment
- to write and read simple words
- to describe main characters and events in stories

The children will also develop their knowledge of sentences, captions and retell.

## Mathematics

The children will develop their:

- sorting and classifying knowledge
- measurement skills (weight and size)
- more/less knowledge

Alongside this the children will continue to develop their number recognition and 1:1 counting skills.

## Expressive Arts and Design

The children will learn:

- a repertoire of new songs
- to select appropriate resources and adapt work where necessary
- to play co-operatively as part of a group to develop and act out a narrative
- to use resources to create props to support role play

## Understanding the World

The children will:

- talk about the past and present events in their own lives and their families life
- talk about the similarities and differences between themselves and others, communities and traditions
- look closely at change in the weather
- use ICT hardware to interact with age appropriate computer software

