



# Once upon a time...



This term our topic is called 'Once upon a time'. Together we will enjoy exploring a range of traditional stories and fairytales. To immerse the children from the outset, during the first week each classroom will be based on a different traditional tale. The children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of learning activities related to these different stories throughout the week.

**Class 1:** Jack and the Beanstalk.

**Class 2:** The Three Little Pigs.

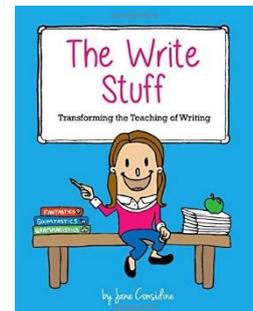
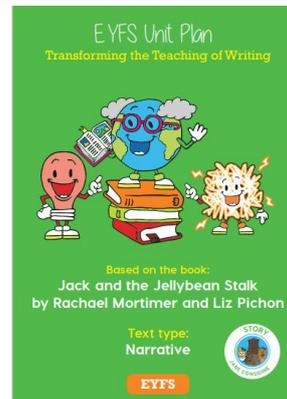
**Class 3:** The Elves and the Shoemaker

After this we will focus on two traditional tales '**Goldilocks and the Three Bears**', exploring key characters and '**The Three Billy Goats Gruff**', re telling this through the use of drama

## Writing

This term we will continue to foster your child's independence as a writer. We will be focusing heavily on supporting your child to write short sentences using the sounds they know and a capital letter and full stop. This will enable them to confidently meet the Reception end of year goal of writing simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

We are also looking forward to using a unit from 'The Write Stuff' this term that the rest of the school have started to use as an approach to writing.



## Handwriting

Now we are beginning the Summer term, during daily handwriting lessons the children will be introduced to how to form pre cursive letters (pre joined). As a school we are using a handwriting program called 'Letter-join'. The letters are grouped by their difficulty with an animation for each letter and set words.

# Letter-join

## Phonics/Reading

The children have worked so hard with their phonics over the last term and we are so proud of them. Please continue to access the oxford owl website that has a range of books that match our RWI program in school. Your child's log in can be found in the front of their reading record. This website also offers stories you can share together, some of which link to our Fairytale topic.



## Maths

This term we will be using a program called 'Power Maths' for the planning and delivery of our maths curriculum. This is a program that the rest of the school use and will support our Reception children with their later transition to Year 1.



## Jigsaw

This term we are looking at 'Relationships' for our PSHE Jigsaw puzzle piece. We will be exploring:

- My family and me
- Making friends part 1
- Making friends part 2
- Falling out and bullying part 1
- Falling out and bullying part 2
- Being the best friend we can be



### **Here are just a few things to remember:**

- Just a reminder to not send your child into school with toys from home, thank you.
- P.E is every Wednesday. Please make sure earrings are removed for PE sessions for safety reasons. If your child is wearing any type of earrings they will be unable to take part. We kindly ask that PE kit consists of a plain hoodie, a plain/school t-shirt, jogging bottoms, plimsolls or trainers. Please ensure clothes do not have logos on.

If you would like any advice regarding your child's learning, please don't hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher. We look forward to an exciting Summer term in Reception.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Turner, Miss Pearson and Miss Hurling