Nursery Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely half term break.

During this half term we will focus on stories. The children have shown that they enjoy listening to stories and they are beginning to retell stories using their own words. We will be reading and recalling lots of lovely stories such as The Gruffalo, The Little Red Hen, The Enormous Turnip, Walking Through the Jungle, Polar Bear, Polar Bear and many more stories. We will be focusing on repetitive story language and discuss what happens at the beginning, middle and end of the stories.

Our number focus this half term will be to consolidate numbers 1-10 and consistent understanding of number and quantity. We will also be adding small groups of objects together. In shape, space and measure we will be learning about size, pattern and positional language. We will also continue to work with 2D shapes, naming them and discussing their properties. Please work with your child so that they recognise numbers 1-10 by sight.

We will be continuing with Letters and Sounds. The focus will be to develop oral blending of sounds in words. Children will blend the sounds together to recognise the whole word e.g. c-a-t to make the word cat. We will work hard to identify initial sounds in words. Children will also continue to identify rhyming words.

During this half term we will further our awareness of other cultures by celebrating Easter. We will learn about the meaning of Easter, listen to the Easter Story, make Easter cards and take part in lots of fun activities. There will also be a parents/carers morning on the 27^{th} March 9.10am - 10.10am for you to work with your child in nursery.

Thank you for your continued support with the stories and homework. The children are progressing well when retelling stories in their own words. Please check your child's group and return dates for their homework. They need to be returned on time, ready to be reviewed on a Monday morning. Thank you for your continued support in this important preparation for learning to read in Reception class.