



Friday 3rd March 2017

Dear Parents,

The children, and staff, had a great time joining in with the Book Week activities. Thank you to our Mystery Readers this week!

Next week our learning focus is around the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Perhaps this is a story you can share with your child at bedtime over the weekend or encourage them to retell the story from memory, using actions or props to help. We are hoping to make some puppets so if you have any spare cardboard rolls – wrapping paper or kitchen towel rolls we will be very grateful!

Area	What we have learnt	Ideas to support at home
Topic	We have learnt how to grow a bean plant and have set up experiments to see what happens if beans do not have water or sunlight to grow. We hope our bean plants will begin to grow next week and then we will send them home.	
Phonics	This week we learnt the phoneme sounds: air as in hair ; ure as in pure ; er as in herb or farmer and the tricky word her .	Please encourage your child to spot the digraphs in words, before segmenting. You can use the letter tiles to create words.
Literacy	We have been learning to retell the story of Jack and the beanstalk. We have also been looking at instructions and attempted to write our own. We numbered the instructions in a list and used bossy words to start each one.	Come up with your own instruction list at home, e.g. how to clean your teeth, how to get to the park etc.
Maths	Length and height have been our focus in maths this week! We have been exploring different ways to measure – we even found out you can measure length with socks!	Find different objects that you can measure and different things to measure with! For example measure shoes with teaspoons or the length of everyone in the family with uncooked spaghetti!

Show and Tell

Show and Tell after half term will be the **Elmer** group. The object will need to be something linked to our new topic “Once Upon a Time” where we learn some traditional tales (Gingerbread Man, Jack and the Beanstalk, Goldilocks, Three Little Pigs etc.) and begin to write our own stories.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Ward, Ms Del Corso and Mrs Kamanyire

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