

## Foundation Spring 1 Overview

Next term our Topic is going to be 'Once upon a time' where we will be looking at a variety of traditional tales including:

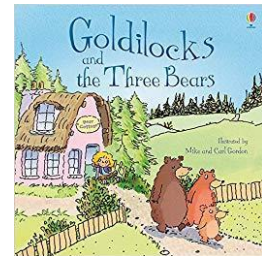
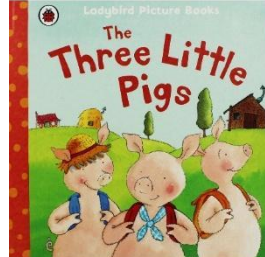
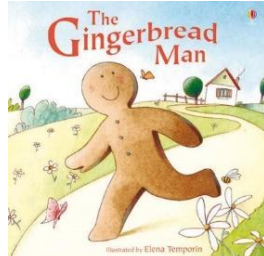
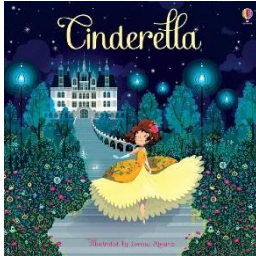
Cinderella

The Gingerbread Man

The Three Little Pigs

Jack and the Beanstalk

Goldilocks and the Three Bears



The focus for this topic is on storytelling where we will be retelling stories orally, learning story language such as 'once upon a time' and 'they all lived happily ever after' and writing our own class story map versions of the stories too.

We will begin by exploring Cinderella! We will look at the exciting events of the story, create our own castles in provision using different materials and getting ready for our trip to the **Cinderella Pantomime at Milton Keynes Theatre on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January.**

**Thank you to the parents that have paid their voluntary contribution towards the cost of the Pantomime and transport. If you have not yet paid, but would like to, please pay via your ParentPay account asap.**

We will then move on to retelling a different traditional tale each week, learning the stories, and exploring retelling them and activities linked to them in provision.

In Maths this term, we will be exploring numbers 1 to 8 in depth. We will look at different representations of the numbers, subitise and look at the composition of the numbers. This will also include one more and one less than a given number, odd and even numbers and doubles to support the children in developing their place value knowledge. Additionally, we will be looking at how to find a balance and build on their understanding of 'full' and 'empty' to further investigate different capacities. The children will also explore and compare length and height.

In Phonics this term we will continue to secure and confidently blend the Set 1 sounds we have learnt to read consonant vowel consonant (CVC) words such as cat, map, tin etc. We will continue to develop segmenting CVC words more independently to spell. We learn our 'special friends' sounds which are two letters together that make one sound e.g. sh, ch, th, ng.

On the final day of term, **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February**, we will be celebrating Chinese New Year. We will learn how and why Chinese people celebrate New Year and compare it with how we celebrate new year. We will explore the story and complete fun activities linked to it. **Please send your child in wearing a red top such as a T shirt and/or a red jumper instead of their school jumper.** They only need a red top, please ensure the rest of their clothing is school uniform.