What adventures have we been on this week?

Week beginning 16/11/26

Book of the week– The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Rhyme of the week— Ring O' roses

Maths

We have been developing our subitising skills by recognising quantities without counting and exploring different dot patterns, including those found on dice. We identified smaller groups within larger numbers. We have also been practising numeral recognition to 5, matching numerals to quantities. We enjoyed number-track games, helping to strengthen understanding of number order and the link between numerals and quantities..

Reminders

Please label all clothing and belongings. If having a school dinner, please order via theTeachers2parents app.

Trip to Threapwood Christmas trees– Friday

Our Adventures

This week, we have continued learning about castles and have been finding out about kings and queens. We leant about our king, King Charles, and we looked at what it means to be a monarch. We talked about the important role monarchs have played throughout history. The children enjoyed sharing their ideas about what makes a good king or queen and had lots of fun imagining what they would do if they were king or queen for a day. We also made our own crowns and were proud to wear them while taking part in our discussions and role-play activities. Our role-play area is continuing to be transformed into a castle, and the children have been busy designing and creating different items to bring it to life. They have shown great creativity and teamwork as they worked together to develop ideas and add special touches to the area. In PE, we explored our five senses and took part in a range of games and activities that encouraged us to think about how we use our senses every day. We have also been busy creating tree wishes to add to our Christmas tree. The children thought carefully about their wishes and enjoyed expressing their ideas through their creations. As the festive season approaches, we have continued learning and practising our Nativity songs. The children are becoming more confident each time we sing together and have been enjoying getting into the Christmas spirit.



Literacy

This week, we continued exploring *The Star in the Jar* by Sam Hay. We thought about the main character, Oscar, and discussed why the star was so special to him. The children explored themes of friendship, kindness and sharing, and considered how Oscar's feelings changed throughout the story. We sequenced the events and wrote about some of the characters. In Helicopter Stories, the children created and acted out their own imaginative stories, and in Drawing Club, we enjoyed *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*, creating drawings and inventing exciting new adventures for the goats and the troll.