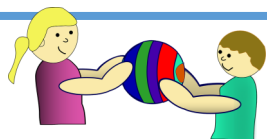


## PE



Our PE session is on a Monday; on this day the children can come into school in their PE kit. Please note, some children may also be doing PE with their mainstream class on other days. Please see the school website for information about our PE kit. In our PE sessions we focus on different areas of the curriculum, specific to our children's needs. We will continue to develop our 'sensory circuits' and the children will also be exploring ball skills and team games with Mr Beacham.

The children will be engaging in outdoor learning daily so they need to wear sensible flat school shoes. The children can wear trainers on their PE day.

## Literacy

In Literacy we will be focusing on Fairy Tales, which is always a popular topic with the children. We will explore the story language used and discuss how the authors use their imagination to make the stories interesting. The children will choose the story they want to focus on in more detail! We will look at describing the story setting using descriptive language and we are also going to introduce the children to using commas in their writing.

We will learn about 'antonyms/opposites' - words which have completely different meanings e.g. hot and cold, fast and slow etc.

We are continuing to develop our reading and writing skills in our Phonics lessons. The children also take part in daily reading activities, either in a group or 1:1 with an adult. We are focusing on supporting the children to decode words, develop sight word recognition and also extend their comprehension skills as they answer questions about the text. The children are continuing to make very good progress in their reading, especially those that are reading regularly at home too - well done!

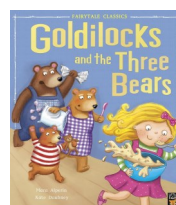
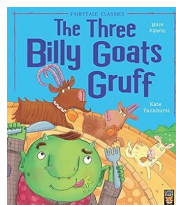
## Stay and Play

Please join us for our 'Stay and Play' session on Tuesday 19th May at 9-9.30am.

# Acorn Provision Newsletter

## Summer 1

## Fairy Tales



Welcome back everyone! We hope you have had a lovely Easter break. We have lots to look forward to this Summer 1 term—hopefully some warmer weather! We hope we can enjoy lots of outdoor learning and play, so please ensure your child brings a suitable coat every day, due to our often unpredictable weather. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

**We are always available at the beginning and the end of the day if you have any concerns or need to speak to Mrs Harrison or another member of the team. Mrs Harrison's working days are Monday -Thursday. The rest of the team are Mrs Clark, Miss Wilkie, Mrs Doherty and Patsy. Miss McKenzie supports in the Acorn RP on a Friday morning.**

## Healthy Snacks

We have fruit and toast available for the children at break time. We are having an increasing number of children bringing crisps, biscuits and cakes into school for snack time. May we take this opportunity to remind you that **we are a healthy school** - if your child wants to bring their own snack, please ensure that they bring just one and that it is a healthy choice. Thank you for your support with this.



## Maths

In Maths this half term we are going to continue to use our personalised approach to teaching Maths to enable the children to work at their own pace to make progress and reach their full potential.

Please support your child to learn their early times tables by accessing Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) at home (please let us know if you'd like some counters to help with this). Numbots has some fun games to help your child practice their Maths skills too.

## Afternoon Activities

In the afternoons, the children will continue to go back to their mainstream classes for some subjects. This is important for their sense of belonging within the school and to enable them to develop their relationships with their peers outside of the Acorn RP. Mrs Harrison will ensure you know which days this will involve your children and pick up arrangements.

In the Acorn RP, we focus on non-core subjects such as Music and Art, as well as developing key skills in the afternoons. This half term the children will be engaging in Science investigations, DT (Sewing skills), Computing, gardening and Yoga. We are continuing our interventions to help the children to understand and manage their feelings and emotions.

In addition, the children will have the opportunity to engage in a focused 'outdoor learning' session weekly.

## Reading Books and Homework



Please try to read with your child for a few minutes every day. **Please return your child's book every Tuesday so it can be changed.** Please also practice your child's spellings with them and use the online Edshed games to help learn them.

**We also send a homework sheet home every week.** The children love to receive a sticker and house points when it is returned. **Please also remember to access the 'Reading eggs' app at home.**