



Crabtree Farm Primary School

Treehouse Spring Newsletter



Welcome to the Treehouse newsletter



I am delighted to share our latest updates and insights with you.



As we wrap up our first term, we are thrilled with the incredible journey we've had in the Treehouse. The energy and enthusiasm displayed by our children, families and staff have truly made this term exceptional. A personal highlight was the Christmas sing along.



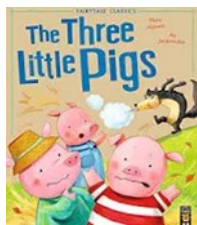
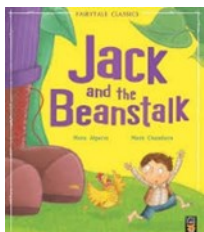
Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our community.



Mrs Andrews

Theme of the Half Term:

Classic Stories



This half term, we are excited to explore the theme of Nursery Rhymes and Traditional Tales .

We will dive into beloved tales and nursery rhymes like "The Gingerbread Man," where children will engage in various activities that bring the story to life.

Children will have the opportunity to:

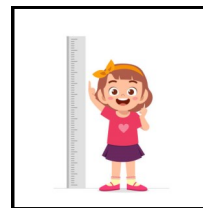
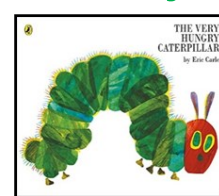
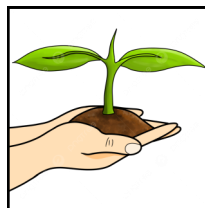
- Learn a selection of new nursery rhymes and traditional tales.
- Art and Crafts: Create artwork inspired by the characters and settings in the stories.
- Sensory Experiences: Use sensory materials to recreate elements from the stories, enhancing their engagement and understanding.

We believe sharing these wonderful stories will not only fosters a love for reading, but also develop the children's language.

Looking Ahead

Theme of Next Half Term:

Growing



As we approach the next half term, we are excited to share that our theme will be Growing.

This theme will allow children to explore growing seeds and plants and looking at changes over time and conditions for growth.

Parent Coffee Morning



Thank you to those of you who joined the SEN Coffee Morning last term. It was wonderful to connect with so many of you and share insights with you all.

I am excited to announce that our next SEN Coffee Morning will be held on Thursday 6th February at 9am.

Speech and Language Information

Effective communication is key to your child's growth. This term, we are focusing on enhancing speech and language skills through interactive story time sessions and play-based activities. All children in the treehouse will follow a speech and language programme.

Here are some tips to support your child's speech and language development at home:

- **Read Together:** Spend time reading books aloud, encouraging your child to express their thoughts about the story.
- **Practice Turn-Taking:** Use games to practice taking turns, which helps in developing conversational skills.
- **Encourage Descriptive Language:** Ask your child to describe their favourite toys or experiences, helping to expand their vocabulary.

If you have any concerns about your child's speech and language development, please feel free to reach out for support.



Dates for your diary

Wednesday 22nd January
Parents/Carers Open Afternoon 1.30pm-6pm
Thursday 6th February
SEN Coffee Morning
Tuesday 11th February
Safer Internet Day
Friday 14th February
Traditional Tales dress up day
Friday 14th February
Last day of half term
Monday 24th February
First day of half term
Thursday 6th March
World Book day
Friday 21st March
Red Nose day
Monday 24th March
World Maths Day
Thursday 27th March
Spring Disco 4pm-5pm
Wednesday 2nd April
Parents/Carers Open Afternoon 1.30pm-6pm
Friday 4th April
Last day of term
Tuesday 22nd April
First day of summer term

Lunch Times and Tasting New Foods

We believe that lunchtime is not just about nourishment, but also about exploration and social interaction.

During lunch, children will have the opportunity to taste a variety of different foods, which helps broaden their palates and encourages healthy eating habits.



Sensory Circuits and PE

We are excited to introduce sensory circuits as part of our weekly routine.

Sensory circuits are designed to help children self-regulate, focus and prepare for learning. Each circuit includes a variety of activities that stimulate the senses, such as jumping, climbing and balancing. These activities not only enhance motor skills but also provide essential sensory input that can help children manage their emotions and improve concentration.

PE will take place on Tuesdays. Sensory circuits and PE will be led by Mr Kiggins.



Diversity Calendar

This term, as part of our whole school diversity calendar to help celebrate diversity and promote awareness, we will be learning about;

- **Martin Luther King Jr Day**
- **Lunar new year**
- **Children's mental health week**
- **Lent - Christian festival**
- **Holi - Sikh and Hindu festival**
- **International women's day**
- **Ramadan - Islam**
- **Easter - Christian festival**



Open Door Policy: We are Here for You!

I want to remind all parents and carers that our door is always open for any concerns or questions you may have regarding your child's development or support needs.

Whether you have specific queries or simply want to have a chat, please feel free to reach out to us.

