

Gorseybrigg Primary School and Nursery

Curriculum Matters



Term Autumn 2 2016

Year Group Year 1

Teacher Mrs Kay Christie
Mrs Ellena Barker

Topic

Once upon a time ...

In this topic we will look at:

Week 1 – Guy Fawkes

Week 2 – The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Week 3 – The Gingerbread Man

Week 4 – The Gingerbread Man

Week 5 – The Elves and the Shoe Maker

Week 6 – The Elves and the Toy Maker

Week 7 – Christmas

Literacy

This term we will be focusing on:

- Using simple information texts to find out about Guy Fawkes.
- Using traditional stories to inspire children to write their own stories.
- Using role play to create/retell stories using story language.
- Writing instructions
- Understanding stories have a beginning, middle and end.
- Working on phase 3 and 4 of the letters and sounds programme.
- Practising cursive handwriting.
- Recognising and classifying nouns, adjectives and verbs.

Numeracy

This term we will be focusing on:

- Naming, describing and sorting 2D and 3D shapes.
- Numbers to 100 (counting reliably, ordering and estimating a number of objects, comparing numbers).
- Counting in 2's to 30 and in 10's to 100 and back again.
- Adding and subtracting two single digit numbers.
- Word problems involving addition and subtraction.

PE

- Gymnastics – travelling, balancing, jumping
- Dance – topic based dances

Science

This term we will continue to focus on every day materials and their properties.

We will also look at seasonal changes, particularly focusing on Autumn.

Personal, Social and Religious Education

PSHE: We will be looking at 'bullying' – What is Bullying? How to deal with it. We will be creating anti-bullying posters.

RE: The Creation story and Christmas stories will be our focus in RE.

Art and Design/D.T.

This term we will:

- Baking storyland biscuits
- Make a 'traditional story character'.
- Produce Christmas themed art work eg cards, calendars etc.

Helping at Home

Reading

- Please listen to your child read on a regular basis (at least 3 times a week) asking questions about the book.
- Read the high frequency words 'on sight'.
- Keep working on recognizing the phase 3 sounds, including making up alien words.
- Follow instructions to bake something story related to sell at our cake sale on Monday 21st November.
- Read lots of traditional stories and discuss similarities between them.

Spellings

- Please practise the list of spellings each week using the "look, say, cover, write, check" system. Please ask for guidance if necessary. These link in to the daily phonics lesson in school.

Writing

- Encourage correct letter formation.
- Practise writing sentences on the reverse side of the spelling sheet, including the actual spelling of the word.
- Children are encouraged to write at home, attempting to spell words by sounding them out.
- Make sure your child can write their first name and their surname.

Numeracy

- Please practise oral counting and recognising numbers to 100.
- Practise counting objects accurately up to 10/20 and beyond.
- Ensure numbers are formed correctly and are not reversed.
- Practise counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.
- Make up your own word problems for your child to solve.

Just a little note from us:

If you have any queries about anything on this sheet or about your child at any time, please come and see one of us!

And finally ... if anyone is interested in giving up a few hours of their spare time in the week to come and listen to the children read, that would be much appreciated. Thank you.