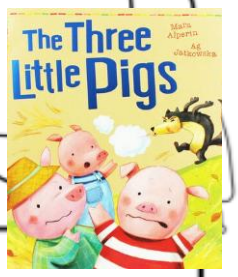


Reception Class Newsletter

13th March 2026



Literacy

This week we have enjoyed joining in with the traditional tale *The Three Little Pigs*. The children remembered the repeated refrains well. “Not by the hair of my chinny chin chin I will not let you in!”

We talked about our favourite part of the story. There was lots of laughter when the wolf burnt his bottom and ran away never to be seen again!

The children talked through the story and sequenced the pictures. In pairs they drew the story on a large story map adding lots of detail. Afterwards they shared these, retelling the story to others.

We finished the week by performing our version of The Three Little Pigs. There were some scary wolves and brave pigs. But no amount of huffing and puffing was able to blow the brick house down! There were also finger puppet shows telling the story.





Phonics

Lots more practice reading words with diagraphs and trigraphs and longer words.

rubbish, magnet, chain, singer, garden, powder, torch

We’ve are currently revisiting all the tricky words we have learnt so far and these are sticking!

Thanks for all the practise you are doing at home to help your children recognise these –

keep up the good work.



PE

In Gymnastics we practiced different jumps – pencil and star are our best jumps! Then we added these to our balance work from last week and created a sequence - balance, jump balance.

Outdoor play

The children were busy building brick walls using the method of overlapping the bricks to make the structure stronger. Suddenly there was a downpour of rain, so we used bamboo canes and tarpaulins to make a shelter and hid underneath until the rain stopped.



Snack and chat

We’re really enjoying our snack and chat time. The children have lots to share and it’s lovely to hear what they have to say.





Maths

This week we have been learning the days of the week and creating charts about what we do on different days. The children were great at solving problems using today, yesterday, tomorrow. They loved the days of the week song – it’s a very catchy tune. Then we looked at time words like first, next, finally and used these to follow and give instructions. First clap, next stand up, finally turn around. We will make jam sandwiches next week using this key vocabulary.

Next week

- In Literacy we will reading *Pigs Might Fly*
- In Phonics we will be busy reading lots of words and writing sentences using our knowledge of diagraphs and trigraphs.
- In Maths we will be learning about 9 and 10
- We will be making houses and aeroplanes for the pigs!!!

Please continue to practise sounds, reading and tricky word recognition at home.

Many thanks for your continued support

