

HEVINGHAM UNDER 5's NEWSLETTER



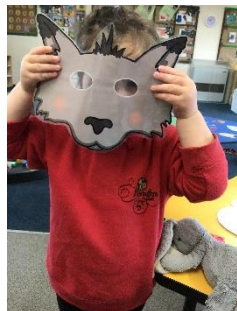
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What we have been doing

We have been doing many different activities over the last few weeks; the children have been learning about the different fairy tales like 'The Three Little Pigs' also 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We have also been reading 'Oi Dog', which means we have been looking at how to rhyme our words.

The Three little pigs

We have been looking at traditional fairytales, starting with 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children have had a fabulous time role playing the story with their friends and various props. We have also been creating our own construction of the fairy tale and then trying to blow down our own constructions that we have built. They have also been painting the little pigs houses to put up on display on our board.



Oi Dog

We have been looking at 'Oi Dog' the rhyming book. The children have been creating their own dogs with card and tissue paper which has then gone up on our display board this has then sparked conversation with the children about what possible pet they might have at home and different stories about them. We have also been doing different rhyming games for our supersonic phonic friends, so this story has tied in beautifully with this and has really helped the children's understanding.



Goldilocks and the three bears

As we have been looking at traditional fairytales we have been looking at Goldilocks and the three bears, the children have enjoyed role playing with the three bear masks and with an adult's support they have been acting out the story. They have also been making bear pictures with paper plates and brown paint, once the paint has dried they have then drawn their bear face. These have then been stuck up on our display board.

Supersonic Phonic Friends

The aim of phonics for the children while in pre-school is to develop their listening skill, understand rhythm and rhyme, alliteration and to begin oral blending and segmenting. These are all of the skills they need before they can move onto looking at the shapes of letters, and begin learning the phonetic sounds.

The children spend 5 - 10 minutes a day completing little activities. Alongside looking at 'Oi Dog' book, we have been looking at rhyming games and activities which the children have taken interest in and have picked up quickly, these activities will be uploaded into tapestry for you to access at home.



Visiting the School Hall

We have been exploring the school hall and getting ourselves re-introduced to spending time

in the hall doing PE. The children go weekly and practise different skills each week, so far, we have explored using the large balls by bouncing, rolling and throwing them, we have also been learning to throw bean bags into hoops and lastly we have been playing traffic light game



and bouncing bean game to also help the children with their listening and understanding.

Whilst in the hall, we practice independence skills with taking off and putting on our shoes and socks.

Tapestry

We would love to see what you get up to over the weekends. This will give them something to share with their friends at circletime. We cannot wait to see what you all get up to!

Weather

As the weather continues to remain changeable, please continue sending your children into nursery in nice warm clothes.

A pair of wellies and a puddle suit (or waterproofs) is needed for outside play, which we try to do as much as possible.

These can be kept at nursery or they can be sent home after each session if required.

Please can children have spare clothes in their bags in case they get wet.

Baby News

We are pleased to announce that Jade is having a baby girl, She will be going on maternity leave when we close for the summer holidays. We would like to wish Jade and her partner all the best with their new bundle of joy!



Reminders

- Please can the gate be shut behind when entering and leaving the nursery garden.
- Please can children have spare clothes in their bags in case they get wet or messy.
- We encourage a healthy meal at lunch, please could the children have an item of / fruit or veg in their lunch.
- Water only in their water bottles

Pantosaurus

There is never a wrong time to teach the children about how to keep themselves safe; at nursery, we have been watching the NSPCC. Pantosaurus video and learning about how to keep ourselves safe.

We have spoken about the PANTS rules which are:

P - Privates are private

A - Always remember your body belongs to you

N - No means NO

T - Talk about secrets that upset you

S - Speak up, someone can help

You can find more information and the Pantosaurus video here: [Talk PANTS & Join Pantosaurus - The Underwear Rule | NSPCC](#)



Key Dates

Stay and play- Monday 4th March

World book day- Thursday 7th March

Stay and play- Friday 8th March

Last day of term- Wednesday 27th March