



## Upcoming Events

30<sup>th</sup> January- Nursery open day for prospective parents

5<sup>th</sup> February- Nursery open day for prospective parents

7<sup>th</sup> February- Nursery open day for prospective parents

5<sup>th</sup> March- Reception parents Maths workshop

# Eaglet News

This week we began our new topic 'Traditional tales'. However, the week started off in a strange way as we all came into school on Monday to find someone had broken one of our chairs! After some great detective skills from many children, we realised it was Goldilocks who had committed the crime! All week we then learnt more about the story of Goldilocks and the three bears, and we have been discussing what bad choices Goldilocks made and how it made the bears feel.

This week in Nursery we have been exploring our Power of Reading text, *What the Ladybird Heard*. Through our story, we have been developing our ear for rhyme and learning about farms and building up our vocabulary around them. The children gave an impressive reading for our parent visitors during stay-and-play, as their familiarity with the story helped them to join in with repeated refrains and hear the cadence in the words. We also practised using positional language as we described the position of animals and made our own maps of a farm.

### Maths workshop (Reception)

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 9 am we will be holding a workshop for all Reception parents to demonstrate the ways that we teach maths in Early Years and the rationale for teaching in this way. It would be great to see as many of you as possible.

### Nursery Drop Off

This is a gentle reminder that parents and carers should not be entering the classroom in the mornings. Whilst we understand that children can sometimes be a little unsettled in the mornings, it can be confusing and overwhelming for the other children when parents do enter. In our experience, children tend to settle very quickly once in class. We have spoken to the children to remind them of this rule. Please do support us by preparing your child to be left at the door, as this is part of their personal development and helps build independence and resilience.

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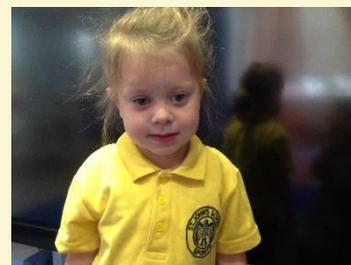
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## Stars of the week

Nursery – Polly



RO – Veda



RC – Luna



# Reception

## Our learning

### This week in pictures



### Next week

#### Physical Development

We will be using our upper body strength to climb just like Jack did up the beanstalk.

#### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be looking at the story *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

#### Mathematics

We will be learning how to count on and back to add and subtract numbers.

#### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be creating our own castles in the sky.

#### Understanding the World

We will be planting our own beans.



# Nursery

## Our learning

This week in pictures



*We developed our understanding of positional language to hide the ladybird around the farm!*

### Next week

#### Physical Development

We will be learning a new game, *Cops and Robbers*, to help us develop our skills in running and negotiating space.

#### Communication, Language and Literacy

We will be making 'Wanted' posters.

#### Mathematics

We will be looking at shapes in the environment as we go on a 'shape hunt'.

#### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning different techniques for attaching objects as we do some junk modelling.

#### Understanding the World

Will be learning about police and the job they do.

