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Coming up after Half Term week...03/03/2025

The children have had a great first week back at school, it has been lovely hearing about their half term stories and having them back in the classroom.

Wednesday 5th March Whole class photos

Fresh School Photography will be in school on **Wednesday 5th March** to create the class photos. If you **do not** want your child to be included in the class photo, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Please could all children make sure that they have their Mead sweatshirt or cardigan with them in school on that day.

Please note, PE on Wednesday 5th March will be moved to Tuesday 4th March, for this week only. Please **do not** send children in wearing PE kits on Wednesday 5th.

World Book Day 6th March 2025

World Book Day is a celebration of the love for reading and stories. It's a day to spark imaginations and explore new worlds through the magic of books.

As part of our celebration children are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character or in a colour associated with their much-loved story.

Learning in school:

Theme for the Term: Tell Us a Story!

We are going to looking at stories and what is in them. Our focus will be on traditional tales and in particular, Jack and the Beanstalk. We will be exploring characters, story mapping and then becoming authors, to write our own story with a beginning, middle

and end. At the end of the half term, we will become Storytime Stars, reading our stories to the class. In addition to this, we will be looking at planting seeds and growing. The children will be growing their own beanstalks!

Theme for the Week:

This week we will be reading and exploring the story Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will be exploring what happened at the beginning, middle and end of the story and plotting the key events onto a story map.

We will also be creating patterns by weaving strips of coloured paper together.

Phonics:

This week in Phonics, we will be reviewing Phase 3: ai ee igh oa oo ar or ur oo ow oi ear and reading words containing double letters such as mm, nn, tt, ff, zz. There will be no new tricky words.

Maths:

In maths this week, we are comparing 2D and 3D shapes and investigating the properties of 3D shapes. Children will be introduced to new vocabulary such as faces, sides and corners and exploring the properties of a cube, cuboid, cylinder, pyramid cone and sphere by listening to a song, reading the book change change and creating their own shape pictures.

Additional notes and reminders

Homework

Maths homework can be found in the blue homework folders in your child's bookbag.

Please pick a game to play and write notes on how your child is getting on.

Homework folders will be collected in the same day that sounds folders are collected in.

Please continue reading with your child as often as you can and practising the sounds in their sound folder.

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Please note that as the week progresses it is sometimes necessary to change what is planned to meet the learning needs of the children and therefore changes to the above may occur.