

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Nursery Newsletter



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Stars of the Week

Last week our Stars of the Week were

★ **Joshua and Nicole** ★

Well done, Joshua! You are settling into our Nursery so well and you are always happy to join in during Circle Time discussions.

Well done Nicole! You were able to use the stick puppets to retell the story of the Gingerbread Man.

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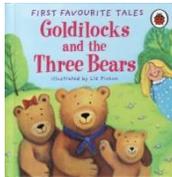
Taking turns at play

This week, the children will be learning to give others a turn and wait for their turn. They will also learn how to ask another child for a turn when they want to play with a specific toy.

Weekly Vocabulary

Goldilocks, cottage, woods, bear, porridge, bowl, chair, table, bed. big, medium, small. Chinese New Year, celebration, count, more, same.

Story of the week



We will be continuing our theme of traditional stories with the wonderful tale of 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'.

Supporting learning, at home

Chinese New Year

Encourage your child to be aware of celebrations in their own lives. Talk about the Chinese New Year Celebrations.

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Encourage your child to retell the story to you at home. Can they repeat the key phrases from the story? You could ask your child to draw pictures of their favourite characters and describe them.

Make a name card. Encourage your child to have a go at writing their name on their drawings. Help your child to practise forming the shapes of the letters in their name, starting with the first letter.

Phonics

We have been talking to the children about the initial sounds in words. This week we will be teaching the sound 'a' (not the letter name). Play games, such as, 'I hear with my little ear, something beginning with 'a'. Find objects with the sound 'a' pronounced, as in, apple, alligator, acrobat, and ant.

Counting

Encourage your child to count everyday objects around the house and in their environment. Demonstrate how to line up objects to make them easier to count. Remind your child to point at each object as they say the number name, in correct number sequence. Use the language of maths, eg. How many is one more? Do we have the same number of grapes in each bowl? etc.

Religious Education

Getting to know Jesus



This week, the children will begin to learn about Jesus' first miracle, as we read the story of 'The Wedding at Cana'. Read this story at home.

During your special prayer times together, you could talk about some of the happy family celebrations, which they have been involved in. Encourage your child to thank Jesus for the happy times in their lives.

Song of the week

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears,
What did her blue eyes see?
A bear that was big, a bear that was small,
And a bear that was tiny and that was all,
She counted them, 1, 2, 3.

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After half-term, we will no longer be producing paper copies of our Nursery Newsletter, in keeping with our policy to try to reduce waste. However, it will still be available online at the start of each week. If you don't have access to a computer, please let us know. A paper copy will continue to be displayed on the notice board.