












<p>'Once Upon A Time'</p> 	<p>Nursery</p> 
Topic Overview	How my parent can help me
<p>During our Spring topic we will read lots and lots of stories and information books - these will include Pie Corbett's Love to Read books.</p> <p>The children will also join in with some 'Balanceability' sessions (gross motor co-ordination development) and continue with our 'Squiggle Times' (fine motor pre-writing development).</p> <p>During Phonics sessions, they will learn to listen for rhyming words, the initial letter sound in a word and to orally blend and segment sounds in words.</p> <p>In Mathematics we will continue to use Numberblocks and Number Puppies and engage in activities around weight, length, size, pattern and shape.</p> <p>The children will participate in science activities and learn about different cultures and beliefs (e.g. Easter and Chinese New Year).</p> <p>Nursery library sessions will also commence - the children can borrow a book for a week to share with you at home.</p> <p>The Nursery children will also take turns in borrowing one of our 'Weekend Bears'.</p> <p>We will also be introducing 'Brilliant Brushers' - the toothbrushing scheme.</p>	<p>Talk: talk to your child about what they are learning. Ask them questions and encourage them to explain their answers in sentences. Extend these questions to How? Why?</p> <p>Read: share a book with your child to develop their love of reading - you will both benefit from that special 1:1 time. Weekly library sessions will begin.</p> <p>Sleep: a good night's sleep is vital for young children. The NHS recommends that 3/4-year-old children should be getting between 11 and 12 hours sleep per night.</p> <p>Hygiene: encourage your child to: frequently wash their hands, wipe their own nose and correctly dispose of used tissues, cover their mouth when coughing, etc.</p> <p>Managing Own Needs: please encourage your child to practise getting dressed and undressed independently. We will be having our 'Coat Challenge' this term.</p> <p>Jackfield Three Bees: continue to talk about and model to your child - Be kind, Be sensible, Be polite.</p>

In this topic we will be looking for children to ...	
<p>Personal, social and emotional development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about their feelings and the feelings of others • Talk with others to resolve conflicts • Build constructive and respectful relationships • Manage their own needs <p>Communication and language</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to longer stories and remember much of what happens • Understand and answer 'what? where? who? when? Why? How?' questions • Speak in well-formed sentences and have conversations with others <p>Physical development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independently put on and take off their coat (including fastenings) • Throw, catch and kick a large ball (with another person) • Cut along a straight-line using scissors • Use a comfortable grip with good control when holding a pencil 	<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engage in extended conversations about stories • Identify rhyming objects • Recognise object names beginning with the same sound • Orally blend and segment sounds in words • Begin to write some recognisable letters e.g. when writing a pretend shopping list <p>Mathematics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quickly recognize up to 5 objects without having to count them individually • 1:1 count up to 5 objects, saying the correct number name for each • Recognise and name 2D shapes (circle, rectangle, square, triangle) <p>Understanding the world</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to develop positive attitudes about the differences between people • Learn about different beliefs and cultures • Explore the natural world around them • Use simple programs on a computer/iPad
	<p>Expressive arts and design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw with increasing complexity e.g. a vehicle with wheels, windows, etc. • Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas • Know colour names • Sign the pitch and melodic shape of a song • Remember entire songs

Nursery Topic Information
Spring 2025

A message from Mrs. Wood and the Nursery Team	Important Information	
<p>If you have any queries or concerns, please speak to me or one of the Nursery Team. I ask that you wait until all children have been seen safely in and out of Nursery.</p> <p>Mrs. Wood (Nursery Teacher)</p> <p>Mrs. Slack (Puppies)</p> <p>Miss Dembnicka (Bunnies)</p> <p>Mrs. Watkins (Chicks)</p> <p>School telephone number: 01782 234450</p> <p>Email: office@jackfieldinfant.org.uk</p> <p>ClassDojo: another effective way of communication between Nursery, School and Home. Challenges and information about weekly topics are put onto this site.</p> <p>Events:</p> <p>Chinese New Year - 29th January 2025 (year of the snake)</p> <p>Children's Mental Health Week - week beginning 3rd February 2025</p> <p>Safer Internet Day - 6th February 2025</p> <p>World Book Day - 6th March 2025</p> <p>Mothering Sunday - 30th March 2025</p> <p>Easter Sunday 20th April 2025</p> <p>Useful Websites:</p> <p>https://www.nspcc.org.uk > keeping-children-safe > underwear-rule</p> <p>https://www.stokespeaks.org/parents-and-carers</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk > CBeebies > shows > numberblocks</p>	<p>Uniform reminder:</p> 	<p>All clothing and footwear should be clearly labelled with your child's name.</p>
	<p>Spare clothing:</p> 	<p>Please ensure your child has named spare clothing (this does not need to be uniform) in school at all times (a bag is provided by Nursery).</p>
	<p>PE kit:</p> 	<p>Your child needs a named PE kit (pumps, tee-shirt and shorts) in school in a named PE bag.</p>
	<p>Book Bag:</p> 	<p>Your child needs to bring a book bag to school every day. It needs to be this type of bag so that it fits into their drawer.</p>
	<p>No jewellery</p> 	<p>No jewellery, including ear-rings, is to be worn in school. This also includes any costume/play jewellery.</p>
	<p>Attendance and Punctuality</p> <p>It is very important that your child arrives at school on-time (9am) and is collected on time (12 noon for statutory hours children/3pm for those children attending full-time).</p> <div> <p>Nursery day (part-time): 9am to 12pm (noon)</p>   </div> <div> <p>Nursery day (full-time) 9am to 3pm</p>   </div>	