

Explorers @ St George's

We've had a busy first week back after half term. The children have enjoyed hearing stories about the adventures of 'Hairy Maclary' and made the most of the sunny spells, with lots of outdoor learning. Keep an eye on the garden fence over the next few weeks, we have planted a sunflower against each cane and hope they will grow into giants!

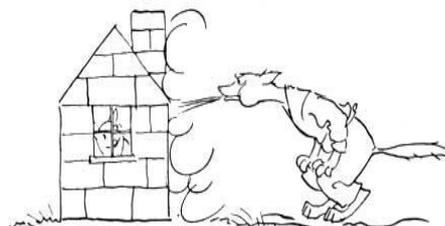
Next steps

We will be enjoying a traditional tale over the next couple of weeks with a focus on the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children will hear different versions of the tale and enjoy drama and small world play themed around the story. Role play will be based around 'builders' and there will be opportunities to explore the different materials - brick, sticks and straw. In their maths development older children will be learning about 3D shape with a focus on shape names and identification. Everyone will be exploring shape through block play and experimenting with shape to see which 3D shapes stack, roll or fit together side by side.

Ideas for home.....

Take the time to focus on your own family home.

- ✓ Talk about where you live, the road name, village or town. Help your child to learn their address of by heart.
- ✓ Notice details about your home, count the windows, identify the colour of the front door, find the house number, look for the chimney if you have one etc.
- ✓ Inside the house - count the rooms, count the stairs, notice carpet colours, find out how many beds there are, talk about which room is biggest/smallest etc.



A door challenge!

We'd love to know how many doors you have in your house, help your child to count the room doors first, then look for kitchen cupboard doors and count those. If you feel like a challenge you could find and count all of the cupboard doors in the house! Your child could make their own marks to record the count e.g. one line for every door they see (early tallying) or count as they go and watch you write the total number. Your totals will be a great maths talking point at Nursery next week.

Rising 5's

It was lovely to see so many of our older children's families visiting the reception classes on Monday; the children have been very excited and happy telling us all about their 'new school!'

The Reception team will be hosting a 'starting school' meeting for parents on the afternoon of Monday 17th June.

School readiness tip of the week!

With our older children starting school in September here's this week's school readiness tip –



At snack time I can eat a whole apple or pear, peel my own orange or banana and open my fruit pot independently – without spills!

Many thanks for your continuing support,
Miss Gander, Mrs Brace and the Nursery Team

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