

St Joseph's

Preschool Newsletter



Please remember to send in Wellington boots with your children so they can access all of the outdoor area.

Many thanks

Topic:

We have started our new topic 'Once Upon a Time', we have started sharing wonderful stories. We have been listening to a range of traditional tales and acting out the stories in play. We have used the stories to think about how life has changed from when the stories were written. Next week we will be reading 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. We will be working on our questioning skills and what comes next in the story.

Supporting your child at home:

- Choose a word from the story, such as 'porridge' or 'bed', and see if you can find items in your house that begin with the same sound.
- Daddy Bear, Mummy Bear and Baby Bear each wore a hat when they went for a walk in the woods. How many hats did they have altogether? You could use your fingers or draw pictures to help you work out the answer.

Maths :

Our magic number is 'Three'. The children will be developing fast recognition of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually ('subitising').

Supporting your child at home with games

1. Ask your child to cover their eyes while you choose between one to three objects to place down.
2. Cover the objects with a screen or cover (such as a book or tea towel) but make sure that your child can not see or count the objects underneath.
3. Ask your child to look as you uncover the objects for a few seconds - time this so that it's long enough for them to see the objects but not long enough to count them.
4. After a few seconds, cover the objects again with the screen and ask them how many objects they saw.
5. Once they have given their answer, you can uncover the objects and count them together to see if they were right.



Our Star Poem

5 Little Bears

1

One little bear
Wondering what to do
Along came another
Then there were two!



2

Two little bears
Climbing up a tree
Along came another
Then there were three!



3

Three little bears
Ate an apple core
Along came another
Then there were four!



4

Four little honey bears
Found honey in a hive
Along came another
Then there were five!



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Information:

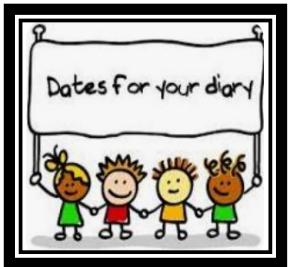


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We are still in the season where we have lots of coughs and colds, we would be very grateful for any donations of tissues.

Many thanks



Nativity Date - Tuesday 2nd December 9:30 am.

Forest school – December 2nd, 4th, 9th, 11th, 16th & 18th. If your child attends on these dates please ensure they have wellies and waterproofs.



Here are a few links to support your children's learning at home.

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<https://literacytrust.org.uk/policy-and-campaigns/home-learning-environment/small-talk/>

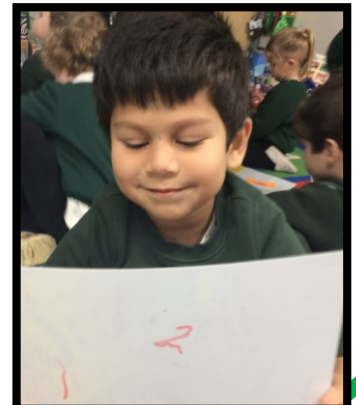
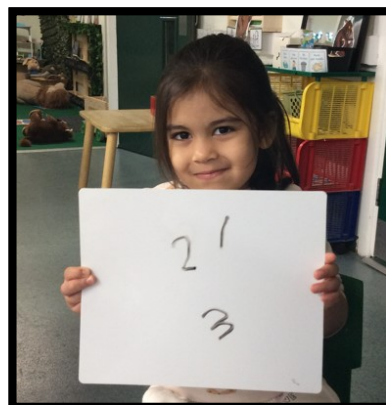
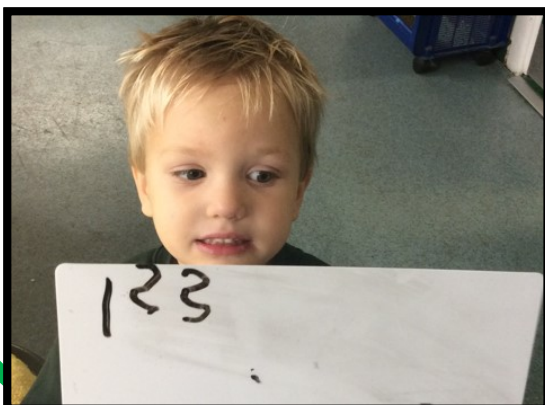
<http://www.wordsforlife.org.uk/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

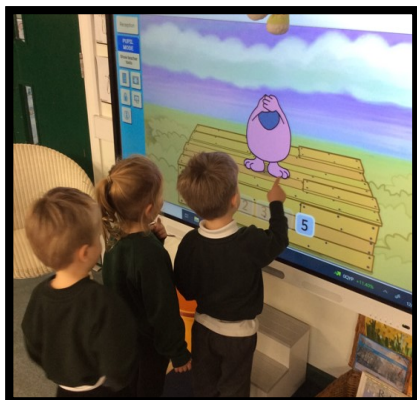
We have loved acting out the story of 'The Gruffalo' and making mice masks. We made some firework pictures and enjoyed exploring all the activities.



Look at our numbers!



We are very good at taking turns and enjoyed the interactive maths game.



Thank you for all your support
Mrs Pugsley and the Preschool team