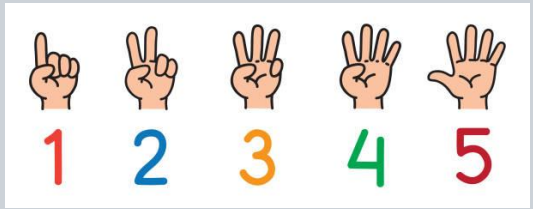
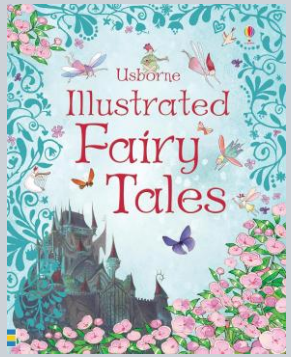
Cherry and Pine Class (Pre-School and Reception)
Term 2 Class Topic Web

Mathematics
Counting to 5
Comparing Amounts



Literacy:
Classic Fairy Tales



Daily phonics, Talk Through Stories, and handwriting practise.

Understanding the World
How is Life Different from Long Ago?



Art and Expressive Design
Illustrations
Focus Artist:
Quentin Blake



Personal, Social and Emotional Development:
Identifying emotions
Understanding our own feelings
Exploring new activities



PSHE:
Jigsaw – Being Me in My World



RE:
What is Christmas and Why Does it Matter to Christians?



Physical Development
Throwing and catching



Music:
Exploring Instruments
Finding the Pulse



Class Updates & Notices

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all had a lovely half term! We are looking forward to another exciting term of learning, exploring and having fun together. This term, much of our learning in Literacy will be centred around fairytales and traditional stories. We will be using these stories as inspiration for our own mark-making and writing, with lots of opportunities to develop our storytelling and language skills.

We will also be exploring the question, *"How Was the World Different Long Ago?"*. We will be thinking about how everyday life has changed over time, looking at toys, homes, transport and the way people lived in the past compared to today.

In Maths, we continue to develop our deep understanding of numbers to 5., exploring what each number looks like and finding lots of different ways to make it, using objects, pictures, fingers, dice patterns and practical games.

As always, we will continue to develop the children's communication, social skills and independence through our everyday routines, provision and play. We are looking forward to seeing all the wonderful things they create, discover and achieve this term!

Important reminders:

- Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly labelled, including coats, water bottles and spare clothing.
- PE lessons will continue to be on Tuesdays. Please send your child into school dressed in their PE kit on this day.
- Forest School activities will take place on Wednesdays. Please ensure your child has wellies in school and comes dressed appropriately for the weather. A raincoat is particularly important as we aim to get outside whatever the weather!
- Reception children will now be taking home Read Write Inc books to read. A separate letter has been sent out with your child's reading folder with further information on this.

If you have any questions or concerns at any point, please don't hesitate to get in touch, either in person or via email.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to another wonderful term!

Best wishes,
Mrs Nutt and Mrs Jones

Phonics Set 1 Sounds



Phonics Set 1 Special Friends

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Ten top tips for reading stories to your child

1 Make reading to your child feel like a treat.
Introduce each new book with excitement.

2 Make it a special quiet time and cuddle up so both of you can see the book.

3 Show curiosity in what you're going to read:

Oh no! I think Arthur is going to get even angrier now.

4 Read the whole story the first time through without stopping too much. If you think your child might not understand something, model an explanation:

Oh I think what's happening here is that...

5 Chat about the story:

I wonder why he did that?

Oh no, I hope she's not going to...

I wouldn't have done that, would you?

6 Avoid asking questions to test what your child remembers.

7 Link stories to your own experiences (e.g. *This reminds me of...*)

8 Read favourite stories over and over again.
Get your child to join in with the bits they know.

9 Read with enthusiasm. Don't be embarrassed to try out different voices. Your child will love it.

10 Read with enjoyment.
If you're not enjoying it, your child won't.



Word Time 1.1 Words

mad
sad
dad
mat
sat

Word Time 1.2 Words

in	on
it	an
and	pin
got	dog
sit	tip
pan	gap
dig	top

Word Time 1.3 Words

bin	cup
cat	bad
cot	back
can	kick
mud	up
kit	lock