

Week Beginning: 12th October 2026

Our Topic is.....
We're Going on an Adventure

What will we be learning about next week?

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Next week we will be walking to Fulbourn Coop to buy the ingredients we need to make gingerbread men. We will visit the DT room at school, weigh and measure ingredients and bake them in the oven. Fingers crossed they don't run away. We will also learn about how to take reasonable risks. We will discuss what activities might be seen as risky, talk about whether this is an activity we should complete and identify the strategies we can put in place to protect ourselves.

Phonics:

We will be continuing our phonics teaching with the new phonemes, *ck (sock)*, *e (elephant)*, *u (umbrella)*, *r (rainbow)*. The children will be provided with a copy of the phase 2 sounds that we have learnt at school.

Watch this clip about 'how we teach blending' - <https://www.littlewandle.org.uk/resources/for-parents/#tabnametabHowWeTeach>

Using the sounds they can recognise, practise blending CVC words (cat, tip, sit) at home.

Maths:

The comparison of quantities is something that children begin to do as babies. The activities this week will focus on developing this innate skill as children are encouraged to look carefully and use the language of comparison to describe sets of objects that they can see. Language is a key focus and adults will model the language of 'more than' and 'fewer than' to describe how many objects there are in each set. 'Fewer than' is used rather than 'less than' because the focus is on countable things.

How you could help your child at home:

- Read with your child daily
- Daily practise of the phonemes we have learnt so far. (s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k)
- Explore ABC, AAB and ABB patterns. This refers to the number of items in your unit of repeat. An ABC pattern could be a blue cube, red cube, green cube. AAB would be a blue cube, blue cube, red cube. Use shapes, pegs or coloured blocks to make a repeating pattern of 3 objects. The children could begin by copying the pattern, then move on to extending the pattern before finally creating their own. Can they explain where the 3s are? How do they know?
- Talk to your child about themselves e.g. what do you like to do, describe what they look like, what have they learnt to do.

Reminders:

- **Coats:** As we go outside in all weather conditions. As the weather is starting to change, please ensure your child brings in a coat **every day**.
- **Coop Trip:** On Monday 12th October we will be taking small groups of children to Fulbourn Coop so we can buy the ingredients for our Gingerbread Men.
- **Open Classroom:** Come into the classrooms on Friday 16th October at 3pm and enjoy the gingerbread men the children have made this week.
- **Reading:** We expect families to read with their child at home at least 3 times a week. Please make sure you record this in their reading record either with a comment or just a signature.

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