

WC 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Our Topic is.....  
**The Great Outdoors!**

Next week, we will be learning about.....

**Topic:** After half term we will read the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will use Talk4Writing to create a story map of the familiar text and use this to retell the story. We will receive letters from the Giant and use our phonic knowledge to write back to him.

**Phonics:** After half term we will be reading multisyllabic word which contain phase 2 and phase 3 sounds. We will be reviewing the tricky words 'the, I, put, pull, full'.

**Maths:** Next week, the children will continue to engage with activities that draw attention to the purpose of counting – to find out 'how many' objects there are. The children will also revisit the concept of cardinality – the idea that the last number in the count tells us how many things there are altogether. To begin to understand the word pattern embedded within most of our number names, the children will also be given opportunities to practise counting beyond 20.

**How you could help your child at home:**

- Enjoy listening to your child reading their phonics book with you at home and read for pleasure with them as much as possible.
- Continue to read and practise the phase 3 phonics sounds with your child.
- Ask the children to throw objects (e.g. bean bags) into a bucket or hoop. *How many can you get on target? Count as you go!*
- Spend some time chatting about freezing and melting with your child. You could set up your own experiment exploring what happens when ice/ice lollies/ice cream are left to melt or what happens to water when it is frozen in ice cubes/small containers.

**Reminders:**

- **Forest School:** From Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February Lapland class will have a forest school session. The children must come to school wearing the correct clothing for this activity. Long sleeved top and trousers, waterproof jacket/coat, a hat, gloves, and scarf, closed toe shoes which are suitable for all weather conditions and waterproof trousers (optional). They should then bring their school uniform in a named bag so they can get changed after the activity.
- **Reading Books:** The children will bring home a reading book this week. Please continue to read with your child every day.
- **Nature Reserve:** On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 9am-11:30am Lapland and Greenland will be visiting Fulbourn Nature Reserve. If you are able to volunteer for this trip then please let us know.

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