

WC 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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

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

**Topic:** Next week we will continue to read the story 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. We will use this text to introduce sentence writing. We will try to include finger spaces (the gap between the words) in our writing.

**Phonics:** Next week we will be focusing on words that include double letters ie. /gg/ /bb/ and longer words. We will review the tricky words, full, push, and, go, no, of.

**Maths:** Comparison of quantities is something that children begin to do as babies. When comparing, children notice attributes and begin to understand the differences and similarities between them. The activities this week will focus on further developing this innate skill as the children are encouraged to focus exclusively on ordinality: considering where numbers to 8 are in relation to each other.

Language is a key focus and adults will need to model the language of 'more than', 'less than' and 'equal to' to describe the relationships between numbers. This week, 'less than' is used instead of 'fewer than' when the focus is on each number's position in the counting sequence.

**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. Practise identifying the phase 3 sounds in a word.
- Explore the 50 things to do in spring from the National Trust - <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/50-things/top-50-things-to-do-before-youre-11-activities-to-do-in-spring>
- When talking about birthdays, ask the children to compare ages. *How old is your brother now? So, who is older/younger? How do you know?*

**Reminders:**

- **Forest School:** Don't forget that Lapland need to bring in their school shoes and uniform into school on Wednesday so they can change into it after forest school.
- **Nature Reserve:** On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 9am-11:30am Lapland and Greenland will be visiting Fulbourn Nature Reserve. If you can volunteer for this trip, then please let us know.
- **Class Assembly** – Greenland on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 9am and Lapland on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 9am. Twice a year, each class will present a class assembly to their family. This is an opportunity for the children to share their learning with you. So bring along, grandparents, aunts and uncles – everyone is welcome. We look forward to seeing you then.

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