

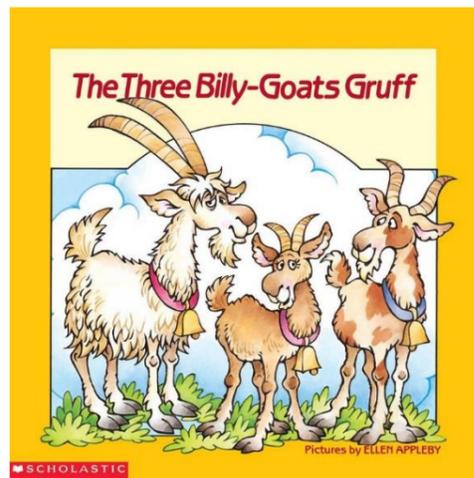
This week your child was learning about: Traditional Tales

**Literacy**

Our book of the week was:

**The Three Billy Goats Gruff**

This traditional tale is one we all know. Three goat brothers trying to cross a bridge and outsmart the nasty troll. The children loved joining in on the repeating refrains "Who goes trip trapping over my bridge". This simple classic tale is an excellent way to introduce the structure of stories to young children. They have a simple and easy to identify, beginning, middle and end.



**Word on the Street:**

This week our word is: Balance

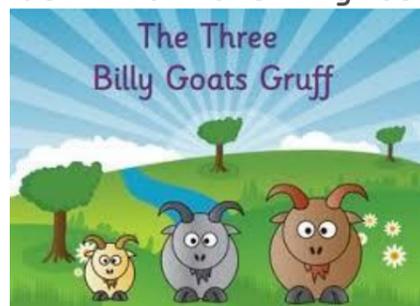
This week the children learned that word BALANCE means to be equal on each side. We balance on the bridge the three Billy goats.



**Numeracy: Numbers**

**Weights: Lighter and heavier**

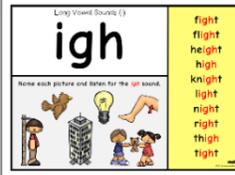
This week the children discussed weights. This featured in our story of the week The Three Billy Goats Gruff, because the smallest and lightest Billy Goat came first with the largest heaviest Billy goat going last. We use scales and numicons to try to find a balance in our numbers area and tested the children's knowledge by having weighted bags in class and the children had to order from the lightest to heaviest.



**Phonics**

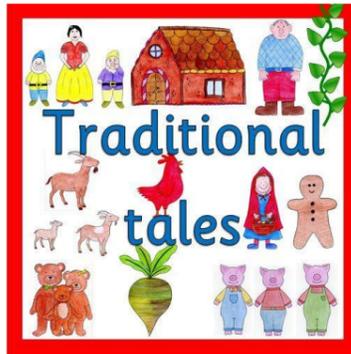
This week we learned the sounds; We focused on ai, igh

We had a review of some sounds children were struggling to recall. It never hurts to go back and review!



## Topic: Traditional Tales

These next few weeks we will be focusing on traditional tales. We asked the children what their favourite tale was and discussed the story. We talked about the beginning middle and end of the story and settings and characters. Ask your child to tell you a story they have learned!



How you can help your child at home:

**Practice** writing as much as you can.

**Practice** discuss Balancing and using the vocabulary heavier and lighter.

Things to remember:

- Every Thursday children must bring in their PE kits. We are now officially changing for PE and the children will need the appropriate clothing. **Please make sure everything is properly labelled**
- Every Thursday **Reading Books** are changed for your child.
- **Remember!** Please send your child in with a **water bottle** that is marked with their name. We do not have individual cups for them to drink water in class.
- We would like to start a work bench outside in the style of Forest School. If you have any old tools (hammers, nails, screwdrivers etc...) that you would like to donate to the school we would be forever grateful.

Thank you for your ongoing support!