



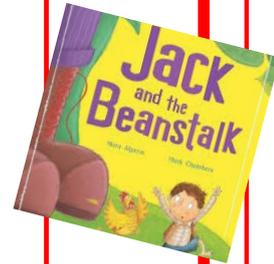
Nursery Newsletter 10

Traditional Tales—Jack and the Beanstalk

You may have heard the children talking about their recent Drawing Club story, Jack and the Beanstalk!

New learning linked to this and other traditional stories have included:

- ◇ Being able to talk through the story using new words—exchanged, eager, scrambled, concealed, tumbled, copious
- ◇ To talk about the changing setting at the beginning, middle and end of the story and using adjectives to describe them and the main characters.
- ◇ Answering how and why questions linked to stories—why was Jack eager to get home?
- ◇ Maths—sharing amounts then comparing quantities using the terms fewer, more, the same
 - ◇ Exploring how different shapes vary because of their properties using The Perfect Fit story and creating pictures using shapes. Children were encouraged to answer why questions linked to it—why did you use... for? So children could explain further the properties of shapes.
 - ◇ Colour mixing blue and yellow to make green as part of St Patrick's Day celebrations.
- ◇ Segmenting words to the beat of dance music, in the style of kung-fu panda and by speaking like a robot so we can hear the individual sounds of short words.
- ◇ Children have been using playdough with rosemary to make their own minibeansstalks
- ◇ Small world opportunities with block play and small fairytale characters have given children opportunity to retell familiar stories or develop their own.
- ◇ Children have loved becoming different characters from fairytale princesses and princes or characters from traditional stories to visit Granny's Cottage setting and to enhance play further, the children have loved making a little pig cottage with Miss Howard and a cardboard castle with Mrs Meek!
- ◇ In PE children have been exploring, dancing to a sequence of a faster songs and slower waltzes.
- ◇ Lego Day—Miss Howard and Mrs Meek were blown away with how well the children behaved and worked together to create their lego houses on Friday! Well done Nursery!



RE—Special Stories or Songs

Over the spring term children have loved learning about stories linked to religions, traditions and cultures these have included Noah's Ark, The Great Race, The Prophet and the Ants

We shared my favourite childhood story Peter and the Wolf
Do you have a song or story you like to share at home? If so please

Notes and Reminders:

Please check your child's jumpers and cardigan are clearly labelled. We have quite a few unlabelled and we have been struggling to get them back to their little owners.

There is a Lost Property rail of jumpers, scarves, hats and gloves along with clips, bobbles and other things, that is filling up outside the Nursery door, please come and check before we send them on to Lost Property at the end of next week.

Thank You

Hand Overs at Drop off

As doors are open for such a short time (8.35-8.40) please try to email any queries or questions; obviously if its quiet its fine, but if the majority of children are in school we mightn't be able to converse.

Mystery Readers

If you would like to come and read a short story to the children as a Mystery Reader, please get in touch! Remember to keep it a secret so it's a surprise for your child too!

Just email me jose.spence@fairway.stockport.sch.uk to arrange a time

How can we help?

We know that as young children grow they can be more resistant to change. If your little one is struggling at home with issues such as giving up their pacifiers/dummy, or sleeping in their own bed, eating a healthier range of foods, behaviour choices, please let us know and we may be able to help.

Sometimes a word from their teachers can be the prompt it takes for them to make that step.