

Canon Peter Hall C of E Primary School



Nursery Spring Term 2024

Welcome Back

Hello everyone, we are so pleased to welcome you and your children back and we also welcome some new children into our class too. We look forward to new topics and learning challenges and helping to develop the children's knowledge through lots of new activities.



Project Information

Our project for this half term is Jack and the beanstalk:

This half term we are going to be sharing the story of Jack and the beanstalk, talking about the different characters and what happens to them. We will then be comparing the giant to giants in other stories (The smartest giant in town) and thinking about if they are different or the same and why. We will be using our knowledge from Jack and the beanstalk to help us in our maths with measuring and learning the language and skills of measuring long, short, tall and small.

Later in the term we will be then planting and hopefully growing our own beans, learning about what they need to help them grow and carefully looking after them and monitoring any changes to them over time. Children will then be taking them home to care for them with We would love to hear all about it and see lots of photos on class dojo please.

Supporting your child with their maths learning:

This term in Maths we will be focusing on measure. Measuring length, size and weight. Practising together and encouraging children to have a go during independent activities in their free flow learning time.

We will also be further developing our number knowledge and counting skills. Learning to recognise numbers up to 10 and encouraging children to be more accurate and counting using subitising (counting with our eyes) as they become more confident in their counting ability.

Reading:

Children are enjoying choosing their new library book every Friday to bring home and share with you. We are also enjoying reading your comments in your children's reading diaries, so thank you for your feedback.

Please note we do not expect your children to be able to read these books as we have not learned this skill yet, they are to be shared during quiet time or as a bedtime story.

Please talk about the story, what is happening, who the characters are and what they are like/doing.

Reminder – library books to be handed in every Friday for a new one to be given-thank you.

Motor skills

To further support your child with their finger, hand and wrists movements we do dough disco in school using playdough. We do different movements such as pinching, squashing and rolling the dough to music to help strengthen our muscles. This is to support children's fine motor skills which will aid them in their writing.

We also practise scissor skills, correctly holding scissors and cutting, first with snips and then longer cuts.

We also have a weekly PE session on a Friday where we go in the hall and practise our gross motor movements. This might be through moving in different ways – jumping, hopping, skipping, team games and ball skills using various sized balls to roll, throw and catch.