

Summer Term 1

Terrific Tales - How do traditional tales begin?

Here are some further ideas for activities which can be done at home, to support your child's learning throughout this topic

Painting

- Fill some zip lock bags with green and yellow paint. The children can move the paint around inside the bag to mix the colours and create some beanstalk paint.

Investigation

- Encourage children to plant some beans and to care for the beans as they grow.
- Explore forces by providing children with straws to blow through. Can they make an object move by huffing and puffing?

Mark making/ Fine motor

- Number/ name practise in cornflour and water
- Name writing - independently

Construction

- Construction toys and junk model materials to make model bridges.
- Create an obstacle course to carry a turnip across

Messy/ outdoor play

- Play the 'bean' game (we play this in PE as our warm up)
- Create a house for the three little pigs.
- Add shaving foam and blocks - Can the children build a bridge for the Billy Goats to cross the river?

Sand

- Add water to the sand and build sculptures.

Water

- Add muddy pigs and toothbrushes to your water tray for the children to clean.

Music

- Make shakers using rice / lentils or pasta
- Can you make a harp like the one in the Jack and the beanstalk story?

Maths

- Chalk a large number track on the ground and provide a dice for children pretend to be a character from the story as they move along the track.