



Curriculum Newsletter



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RTY

Reception
Summer 1 2022

Mrs Westby & Mrs Jones
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Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be building on our understanding and knowledge of emotions and feelings through our Zones of Regulation.
We will build a class toolkit to help when we are feeling emotions such as worried, upset, tired, angry.

Books we will be reading

[Rapunzel](#)
[Rapunzel - Alternative Version](#)

[Zog by Julia Donaldson](#)

A Dress with Pockets by Lily Murray

Mathematics

We will practise building and [ordering numbers to 20](#). We will explore 3-D shapes. We will also develop and refine our adding and taking away skills.
Find our [Key Instant Recall Facts here](#).

Physical Development

We will be taking part in yoga.
We will be keeping [active and healthy](#) through P.E. classes. We will take part in team games and practise our throwing, catching and balancing skills.

Our Topic:

Once Upon a Time...

Click on the [blue](#) hyperlinks for stories, activities, videos and games to lock in your learning at home.
Find ideas for Home Learning on the next page.

Communication and Language

We will read stories with repeating refrains such as "Rapunzel, Rapunzel, let down your hair!" We will be exploring alternative endings to traditional tales and changing characters to create different stories.

Understanding the World

We will explore alternative versions of fairytales. We will also look at life in other countries and see how it is similar and different to life in England when looking at school, food, houses, and activities.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will explore castles and towers - building our own and testing out how to make them stronger. We will design our own shield and dragons while testing out the textures and properties of materials.

Literacy

We will continue writing simple sentences using words with di/trigraphs and tricky words. We will read back our sentences and use 'finger spaces' as well as capital letters and full stops. [Support writing at home](#).



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Home Learning

Other books you can read at home to support this topic: (remember you could visit Catshill Library to borrow books about our fairy tale topic)

[Jack and the Beanstalk](#)
[The Three Little Pigs](#)
[Little Red Riding Hood](#)
[Goldilocks and the Three Bears](#)
[The Gingerbread Man](#)

Dressing and Undressing

Now we are changing for P.E. you need to practise this at home. Make sure you can identify your own clothes and know where to find your name in them. Can you put your t-shirt, shorts and trousers/skirt on yourself? You will need to practise socks and shoes too!
Parents - please avoid lace up trainers/pumps if possible!

Rapunzel's Challenge

Rapunzel is bored in her tower. Can you invent games, challenges or activities to entertain Rapunzel?
You could present your own show, song or dance for her or write your own story.

Please share your home learning and as well as new experiences on **Tapestry** so your child can share this at school with their teachers and friends.

Maths at Home

White Rose Home Learning activities (which match our in school learning) can be found here:
<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning?year=early-years>
Select 'Summer Term' > 'To 20 and Beyond' then move onto 'First, Then, Now'

To practise number recognition and ordering you could write numerals 1 to 10 or to 20 on post-it notes and hide them around your house or garden then see if you can find them in order.

Can you help?

Do you know someone in another country who could send us a postcard? We would like to make a world map display showing postcards from as many countries as we can.
If you know someone who would be happy to take part please can they send us a postcard telling us about their life such as what they typically eat, clothes they wear, activities they enjoy, what school and what the weather is like. Our address is: Catshill First School and Nursery, Gibb Lane, Catshill, Marlbrook, Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, B61 0JP

Fairytales Characters and Settings

Create artwork of your favourite character from a fairytale.
You could paint, collage, chalk, draw or cut and stick to create your picture.
Create a junk model castle or tower for Rapunzel or Zog to live in. How will you attach your pieces together? Will you paint it, colour it, stick paper on it to decorate it?
Has it got any special features?

Reminders

Key Dates

Monday 2nd May - Bank Holiday (school closed)
Friday 27th May - Last day of half term

P.E. and Forest Sessions

P.E. day for RTY & RWJ - Wednesdays
Forest Session RTY - Mondays
Forest Session RWJ - Thursdays

Reading Books

Reading daily for 10 minutes supports your child's development.
Bring your reading wallet to school every day.