



Autumn 2025

STJB Year Two



Once upon a time

Dear Parents,

This term our topic is 'Once upon a time'.

In **Science**, the children will recap their learning on materials from last year and identify and name these materials. They will explore why certain materials are suitable for certain uses. They will then explore which materials can squash, bend, twist or stretch.

In **English**, we will begin by writing recounts. We will be reading Traditional Fairy Tales. The children will be looking at different versions of the Three Little Pigs. They will be writing a description of the wolf and their own version of the story.

In **Maths**, we will look at place value, addition and subtraction.

In **Geography**, the children will be learning about maps. They will be looking at maps of Findon village and learning how to use a key to identify physical and human features. They will be learning North, South, East and West directions and how to follow a route on a map. The children will be going on a walk around Findon village and making a simple map with a key.

During **History**, the children will be learning

about personal timelines. They will be making comparisons between a baby, toddler and year two child.

In **Computing**, the children will develop their understanding of what information technology is and will begin to identify examples. They will discuss where they have seen IT in school and beyond. We will then investigate how IT improves our world, and will learn about the importance of using IT responsibly.

During **PE**, the children will be participating in games and gymnastics.

In **RE**, the children are going to be learning about the teachings of Jesus. We will be thinking about why Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world.

In **Art**, the children will be looking at painting and drawings by Picasso. They will learn to use a range of media and how to make marks by shading and blending. They will use these skills to draw a self portrait. In painting, the children will learn to colour mix primary colours and make secondary colours. They will also learn how to use different types of brushes and other tools to create a variety of different effects.

In **Music**, the children will be listening to different pieces of music, playing instruments, improvising and composing their own music. They will also learn to perform a song as a class.

In **RSHE**, the children are going to be learning to identify and manage feelings in themselves and others.

This is just an outline of what the children will be exploring during this topic. We are using these news letters to give you information about your child's education.

Homework

Please share books and hear your child read regularly. We will be giving weekly maths activities to support your child in their maths learning. Each week we will be giving out spelling or phonic activity, this will help your child with their reading and writing. Please give your homework in on a Tuesday. It will be given out on a Thursday.

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