

# Our Nursery Newsletter



Dear Parents / Guardians,

Friday 15th November 2019

Our Big Book this week was **Goldilocks and The Three Bears**. We discussed the story setting, the characters in the story and were able to retell the story together by the end of the week. The staff modelled writing the story in front of the children talking about the title, the author and using storybook language such as once upon a time, the end and so on.

The children painted pictures of trees to create the forest which the three bears lived in. We looked at images of trees and labelled the different parts talking about the **trunk** and the **branches** and the different thicknesses. The children decided if it was going to be a tree in winter time or a tree in autumn and why they look different, which reminded children of what we have been learning in previous weeks.

A focus this week was exploring and mixing colour, not being too worried about the end result but the fact that the children are aware that some colours can be made from other colours. We also encouraged the children to hold the paintbrush with thumb and two fingers rather than a fist grip which gives greater control.

After discussion with the children we decided to make a list of enhancements we could add to the role play area changing it to look like the cottage in the woods, this then gave staff the opportunity to hear and see children acting out the story we have focused on this week. We brought some block play inside to build the three beds. The children enjoyed making and tasting porridge, making sure it wasn't too sweet or too salty or too hot or too cold,.....just right!

This week we have also started practising the songs for our Christmas Nativity. The dates unfortunately have had to be changed due to the school being closed on that day for the elections. As soon as another date has been finalised we will let you know.

Many thanks for your support in raising money today for **Children in Need**. The children looked great in their yellow and spotty clothes.

Nursery Staff