

# Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

For English this week, we focused on a new fairy-tale of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We began by thinking about our expression and body language when



creating freeze frames of different scenes from the story. We continued to work on using expression in our voices when retelling the story in small groups with stick puppets. We considered how our voices would change, depending on how the characters were feeling. Next, we created a 'wanted' poster to try and catch Goldilocks for the crimes that she had committed! We described in detail what she looked like and the things she had done wrong. Then we wrote a letter of apology from Goldilocks to the three bears to say sorry and

to try and make up with the bears. The children enjoyed this version of Goldilocks:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/snapdragon/yesflash/story.htm>

For maths this week, we have had lots of practice using money. We have been doing a lot of shopping and working out which coins we need to use to pay for different priced items. For the prices that were a bit trickier, we looked at how we could break the amount into tens and units, so for 37p you would need 3 x 10p coins and 7x1p coins. A useful website to practise at home:

<http://www.ictgames.com/payForIt/>

We also looked at finding a quarter of an amount. We found a quarter by sharing objects into four equal groups and seeing how many objects were in each group.



For science, we looked at describing the properties of materials and grouped different objects based on their properties (e.g. bumpy, smooth, hard, soft). We also learnt some very scientific words to describe different objects: opaque, translucent and transparent.

In Religious Education, we read the story of Jonah and the Big Fish. We discussed how sometimes we need to say sorry for the wrong things we do and wrote some prayers to say sorry. We also talked about how God is always close to us, no matter where we are.

Kind regards,

Miss Hutchings

## Year 1 Spellings

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### Optional additional spellings

Here are some additional *optional* spellings for your child to practise at home, if they wish to.

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