

## Heyhouses Reception Newsletter Spring Term 1 Week 1



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## **This Week**

It has been lovely to catch up with all the children following the Christmas Break. They have enjoyed telling us all about their Christmas holidays and we have loved hearing about how different families have celebrated together. Thank you for the photographs we received. They were fabulous to look at! The children have written about their favourite presents and about fun days out they have had over Christmas and New Year. Our topic this half term is Once Upon a Time. Each week, the children will explore different Traditional Tales in a number of creative ways. We have talked to the children about their favourite Fairy Tales and used props from our story sacks to prompt discussions about the different characters we meet in each story. This week, we read The Three Little Pigs and the children retold their own versions with their friends, using puppets. We made story maps and drew our own Little Pigs.

## **Phonics**

This has mainly been a review week to ensure the children are familiar with all the sounds learnt so far and to practise applying their phonic skills in reading and writing activities.



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## **Maths**

**Focus: Subitising** 

This week, the children used their perceptual subitising skills (seeing the quantity without counting) in increasing complex arrangements, moving from dots in a line and arrangements of 2, to a focus on standard dice arrangements.

Play simple track games using dice to become familiar with dice arrangements.

Match objects to numerals. Can you do this without counting?

Needed This Term.....

We are setting up an Estate Agent Role-Play next week. Please send in any photos of houses you see in Newspapers or magazines, the more interesting, the better!

If you took home your wellies before Christmas, please return them ready for our Wild At Heart Lessons. Can you also make sure you put a spare pair of pants and socks in your child's Reading Packets. We are running very low on school supplies so please return any you might have washed at home.









