



Reception Newsletter  
8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Our focus book for this week is:

We have been:

- listening carefully to the story “Jack and the Beanstalk”
- planting our own magic beans!
- talking about how we need to take care of the bean plants
- putting beans in plastic bags with a damp tissue so we can see the root and shoot development
- making labels for our bean plants
- writing about the stages of growth of a bean
- constructing our own beanstalks and seeing how tall we can make them with the soft red bricks
- measuring our different sized footprints with metric and non-metric measures, for example unifix
- acting out being the giant and saying “fee fi fo fum...”
- exploring other fairy tales such as “the princess and the pea”
- having the police come to visit us for careers week and talking about being in the police
- developing our understanding of underarm and overarm throwing with beanbags into hoops
- following recipes in the mud kitchen and creating our own
- looking at the number 7 in depth (composition)
- throwing five beanbags into a crate to develop our knowledge of the bonds to five
- developing our knowledge of pattern by creating bracelets with ABAAB patterns and ABCABC patterns
- counting beyond 10 and 20 in a group
- sharing stories in the book corner



- **No nuts or nut-based food in packed lunches, please.**
- **Red nose day 15<sup>th</sup> march!**
- **Practicing addition and bonds to 5**