

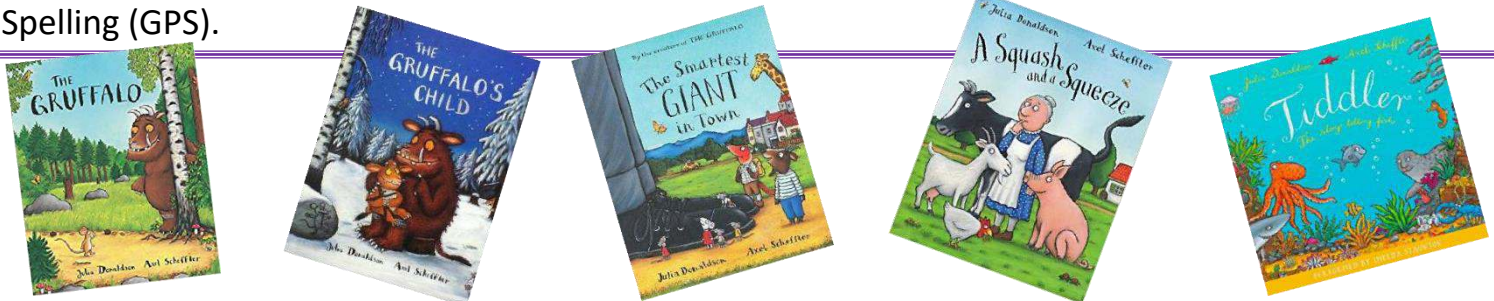
Our topic this half-term is based around stories written by Julia Donaldson. These include The Gruffalo, The Gruffalo's Child, The Smartest Giant in Town, A Squash and a Squeeze and Tiddler.

These stories and their characters, will feature in the majority of work we complete this half-term.

In English this term we will be focusing on a range of stories written by Julia Donaldson.

Based on these stories we will be completing activities such as character and setting descriptions, comprehension skills, retelling stories in our own words and writing alternative endings to stories.

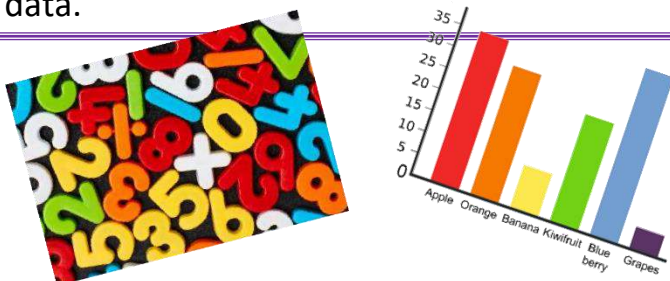
We will also continue to work on individual targets in Phonics and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS).



In Maths, we will be continuing our work on place value, number and using these skills to do more complex 2-digit addition and subtraction problems.

We will continue applying our knowledge of the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

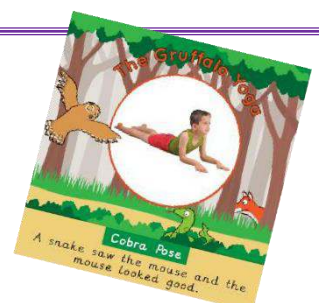
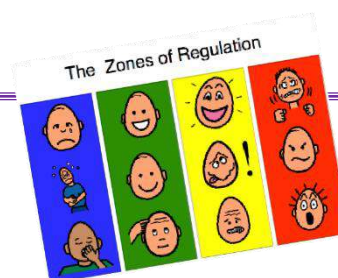
In addition to the above, we will complete some work on handling and representing data.



In PSHE, we will be doing work based on the Zones of Regulation.

We will also be continuing to work on mindfulness and introducing yoga.

In PE we will be building on the skills and strategies we learnt in the Autumn Term.





Platform 1

Spring 1

Julia Donaldson's Stories



Dear Parents/Carers,

As you can see from our half-term topic overview, we have lots of learning and fun activities planned for this half-term all based around our topic of Julia Donaldson's stories.

We wished a fond farewell to Mr. Hall at the end of the Autumn Term and welcome Miss Noble to the team. Miss Noble previously worked in The Platform for a term so she already knows and understands our rules and routines and is really looking forward to working with the children.

This half-term in Platform 1, Mr. Slater and Miss Noble will be working alongside Miss Tomlinson to teach and support your child. We will be continuing our range of different teaching approaches including 1:1 work, small group work and whole class sessions.

Our PE lessons will take place on **Tuesday** afternoon, so please ensure your child has their PE kit with them every Tuesday. Your child is welcome to leave their PE kit in school and we will send it home at each half-term break if you wish.

We will continue to spend some time outside every day this half-term. We provide coats, over trousers and wellies. We have also now bought hats, gloves and fleeces as an extra layer to keep your child nice and warm outside!

Cups and water are available to the children throughout the school day, but if you prefer to send your child in with a drinking bottle for during the day (not just at lunch time) then please ensure the bottle contains water, not juice.

Thank you all for supplying plastic for our eco brick project so far. We've now made 4 eco bricks and are well on the way to being able to build something from them. Can I please just ask that all crisp packets, sweet wrappers etc. are washed and dry when brought in to school. We can only use clean plastic in our eco bricks for hygiene reasons.

Many thanks for your continued support,
Miss Clare Tomlinson