



# 2021 Spring Term 1

## Reception

### Enriching Learning



The following links will help you to practise some of the key learning for Maths and English this term. You can choose which things you most need to practise and when and how long you spend on them.

#### Maths Focus: Shape and Pattern

##### Paddling

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/money/coins-game>

##### Swimming

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/money/toy-shop-money>

##### Diving

[http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/working\\_with\\_coins/eng/Introduction/MainSessionPart4.htm](http://resources.hwb.wales.gov.uk/VTC/working_with_coins/eng/Introduction/MainSessionPart4.htm)

Don't forget to use Mathletics too!

#### English Focus: Phonics

##### Paddling

[http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=tory\\_files/hanging\\_monkeys\\_US.swf](http://www.literactive.com/Download/live.asp?swf=tory_files/hanging_monkeys_US.swf)

##### Swimming

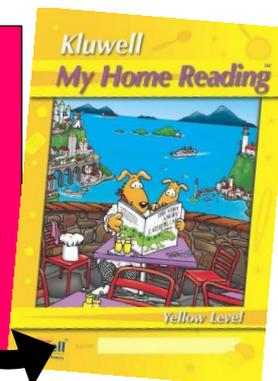
<https://www.starfall.com/h/ltr-classic/?mq=m>

##### Diving

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/> - lots of books to read online (free to use, but does require a login)

#### Reading Reminder!

When you get your reading books and diaries, please try and read for 5-10 minutes every day. Make sure that you record all of the reading you do at home in your reading diary, remember reading two books in one night counts as one night's reading.



The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term and with topic homework activities.

#### Topic Focus - 'Once Upon a Time...'

<https://www.storynory.com/category/fairy-tales/small-stories/> - a selection of fairy tale stories to listen to.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Flash.aspx?f=ThreeBears> - give the bears the correct items based on their size.

<https://www.sheppardsoftware.com/grammar/capitalization.htm> - help the fairy put capital letters in the correct place.

[https://www.science-sparks.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/MrsMactivity\\_ScienceSparks\\_fairytale\\_experiments.pdf](https://www.science-sparks.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/MrsMactivity_ScienceSparks_fairytale_experiments.pdf) - some fairy tale Science investigations!

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/everything-you-need-to-know-about-big-garden-birdwatch/> - take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch (between 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> January)

Each week, you need to choose one of these activities to complete and in your homework book. Make sure you choose a range of activities (some from each box) during the term. Hand in on Wednesdays.



### English Activities

- Write a list of fairy tale characters that you know. You could make two different lists - good characters and bad characters.
- Write a description one of the fairy tale characters. Remember that you can describe how the character looks and how they behave.
- Write a letter to one of the fairy tale characters, asking them some questions about their story.
- When you are listening to one of your stories, listen out for words that rhyme. You could also make a list of as many rhyming words as you can think of. For example: cat/hat, bug/jug, wish/fish, donkey/wonky!

### Topic Activities

- Make a model of your favourite fairy tale setting. For example, you could build a Lego beanstalk, or use a shoebox to make The Three Bear's house. You might even try and create Rapunzel's castle tower with toilet roll tubes!
- Retell one of your favourite traditional tales in a creative way. You could use your toys or puppets or even tell the story by creating a dance. We would love to share your videos in our Zoom calls!
- Lots of traditional tales are set in the woods or a forest. If it is safe for you to do so, get outdoors and explore. Look out for a bridge that the troll might live under, something that looks like Jack's beanstalk, a tree that the Big Bad Wolf might be hiding behind, and a trail of rocks that Hansel and Gretel might have left behind. Take photos of them, or draw a map of your journey.

### Personalised homework

Personalised homework is all about what you want to show us. Think about our topic and the events that are coming up and create something to bring and share.

### Maths Activities

- Capacity - gather some different sized containers and explore which one holds the most and which holds the least. You can fill them with water, sand, rice, or even dry pasta. Does the tallest container always hold the most?
- Numbers - keep practising your number skills by comparing two numbers - which is larger and which is smaller? Can you put a random selection of numbers in order?
- Addition and subtraction (with numbers up to 20) - Roll a dice to get two numbers and add them together, or you could pick two number cards out of a hat. Remember that you can also use objects to help you with taking away.
- Money - Go on a coin hunt around your house. How many coins can you find? Can you recognise and name them all? You could even put the coins in order of value.
- Money - Play shops! Collect a few items from around the house and write price labels for them, 5p, 9p etc. Ask some of you family to come and spend their coins in your shop. Are they giving you the correct amount?