



Happy New Year and best wishes to all!

Welcome back after the winter break we hope you enjoyed all of the festivities.

Nursery Rhymes

To support the development of **communication** and **pre-reading** skills we will be learning about the classic nursery rhymes 'Incy Wincy Spider', 'Jack and Jill' and 'Hickory Dickory Dock'.

Goldilocks and the Three Bears

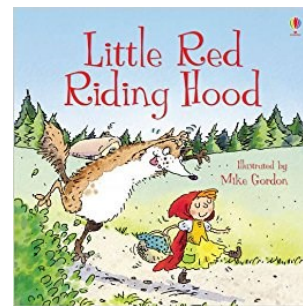
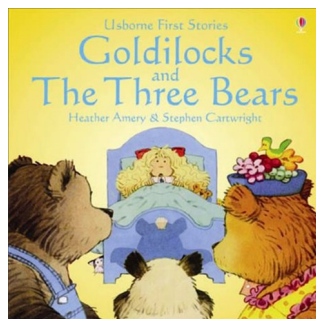
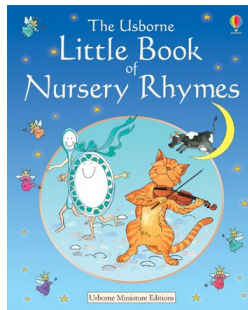
This tale teaches children to **recognise and predict patterns** in stories through simple and entertaining repetition. This skill will make us thoughtful writers and logical thinkers later on.

Little Red Riding Hood

Another fun tale which helps us to understand **traditional character roles** in storytelling. We'll learn about 'goodies' and 'baddies', and begin to think about how **rules** can keep us safe!

TERM DATES

Last day of term:
Friday 9th February



A few children enjoying a story book together.



Parents and carers please come along to Stay and Play with your child on Tuesdays.

From 8:45am to 9:45am (morning) and 12:30pm to 13:30pm (afternoon) for as long as you wish between those times.

A few more children enjoying a story book as they relax.



A Word about Kind Words:

At Odessa Nursery we are learning how to say kind things about ourselves and each other. We think it's really important to use our words really carefully because what we say affects what we think and do.

Please join us with teaching ALL of our children that:

We are brave!
We are kind!
We are clever!



Thank you for all your contributions for our Christmas Party last term. We ALL had a fantastic time.

Independent Learners!

As your child learns and grows it is important that they become more independent. You can help them by:

- Saying goodbye at the classroom door, and allowing them to take off and hang up their coat,
- At home, encourage your child to dress/undress themselves daily,
- Giving them small responsibilities such as retrieving or putting away everyday items in everyday situations,
- Teaching how simple fastenings work such as zips, buttons and poppers and giving them lots of time and opportunities to have a go at doing it themselves.

Please remember if you have any questions or concerns speak to the adults in your child's class! We'll do our best to help!