



# ST. MARY MAGDALENE

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Monday 11th January 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a peaceful Christmas and are managing to stay safe and keep well. Thank you for all the gifts and cards we received, we really appreciate them. This is not how we wanted to start a new year but we would like you to know that we are working very hard to ensure that the high-quality learning continues, despite the difficult and challenging times.

Our topic this term is 'Once upon a Time'. Over the course of the term, we will be focusing on traditional fairy tales. The stories we will be working from are: *The Three Billy Goats Gruff, The Gingerbread Man, Goldilocks and The Three Bears and The Three Little Pigs.*

### Personal, Social & Emotional Development



This is a great topic for building awareness of the different feelings we may have, from happiness to being angry. We will be looking at how a character might be feeling and what we could do to make someone smile or happy. We will be looking at keeping safe, eating well and being kind.

### Physical Development

PE and dance activities will be posted on Satchel daily using Joe Wicks and Cosmic Kids Yoga. Please also try and take your child out for a daily walk or scoot to get some fresh air and exercise.

### Communication and Language

A big focus will be on listening to a story and retelling the story in their own words, using pictures as clues.

### Writing

Please practise writing your child's name and numbers 1 to 9. Lots of lovely activities will be posted on Satchel or you to do with your child such as mark making in a tray of salt using their fingers to colouring their favourite Fairy tale characters.

**Reading** Please try to read with your child daily. Stories will be posted daily on Satchel for you to read with your child.

### Mathematics

Your child will be learning about size this term and the language associated with it. They will also be learning about numbers one to five in detail. They will learn how to recognise, order, count groups of five and learn about one more and one less. Your child will also be able to learn how to 'subitize' using songs by Jack Hartman.



### Expressive Art & Design

Your child will have the opportunity to be very creative during their time at home with you. From making paper plate trolls faces to designing their own Gingerbread people to making rock cakes and yummy mud pies.

### Understanding the World

Your child will hopefully be investigating and exploring a lot this term. With your help at home your child will learn about what a seed needs to grow and hopefully grow their own flowers, grass and even cress to make a lovely egg and cress sandwich. Your child could take photographs of their activities at home.



Nursery's remote learning timetable on Satchel is as follows:

Time	Frequency	Activity
9.00 am	Monday, Wednesday	PE - Joe Wicks
	Tuesday & Thursday	PE - Cosmic Yoga
9.00 am	Friday	Class Celebration
9.15 am	Friday	PE - Joe Wicks
9.30 am	Daily	Phonics
10:00 am	Daily	Literacy
10:30 am	Monday	Expressive Arts and Design
	Tuesday & Thursday	Personal, Social and Emotional Development (linked to well-being and positive mental health)
	Wednesday	RE
	Friday	Understand the World (Science, Geography, History)
11:00 am	Daily	Maths
11:30 am	Daily	Story Time
N/A	Twice weekly	Your child will receive feedback to the work they produce on Satchel in the form of personalised comments.
N/A	Weekly	You will receive a phone call for your child to speak to a teacher or member of staff to discuss their learning and wellbeing.

### Celebrations:

Every week I will be celebrating what your child has achieved at home with you. So please send photographs and pictures of what they have been doing. I will post a weekly video congratulating them on their hard work.

A BIG THANK YOU for your understanding and continued support during these challenging times. Please stay safe and keep well.

### Kindest regards.

Mrs. Whitbread and Mrs Campbell

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