

Phonics



In Phonics this week we will consolidate our knowledge and use of ai, ee, igh , oa, oo, ar, or, er, oo, ow, oi, ear - Little Wandle Phase 3. The children will learn to decode longer words such as ribbon, carpet, cannot, wink. Our tricky word focus is: the, pull, full, put, his, had.

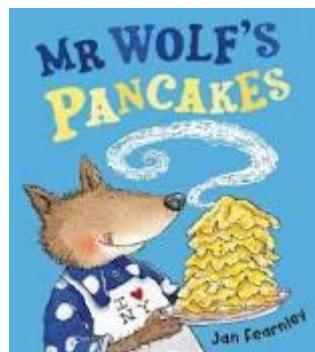
We will be assessing the children's progress for Phase 3 throughout the week.

We will continue to ensure that the children are forming their letters correctly. You may find the following link of some help <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TYYSBProJH4>.

We are continuing to work on perfecting holding our pencil in a tripod grip as the image at the top of the page demonstrates. Please help your child become comfortable with this hold.

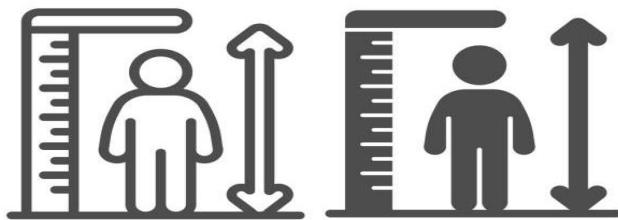
Literacy

Who is celebrating today?



We will be learning about Shrove Tuesday and the traditional pancakes that we enjoy that day. We will find out about the religious and social connections of pancakes. We will enjoy fiction texts such as Mr Wolf's Pancakes and a non-fiction text following instructions for making pancakes. We will enjoy a traditional African tale – Mama Panya's Pancakes - and understand that pancakes are enjoyed worldwide.

Maths



This week we will be comparing height and length, learning and sequencing the days of the week, measuring height and time! The children will learn to identify matching heights and lengths, and ways to measure and compare. They will identify the activities they do on different days of the week and understand the sequence of the days of the week. We will investigate the passing of time and the different ways we have to record this.

Understanding the World



I wonder who is celebrating today?

The children will enjoy making playdough pancakes and will have the opportunity to make real pancakes following instructions. They will be able to weigh and measure different objects using scales, rulers and measuring tapes. Grandma's house will be ready for a visit but look out for the big, bad wolf!

We hope you had a super, restful half term and look forward to working with you and your child for the second half of the spring term.