



2-year-old - Julia Donaldson

Information letters

Spring Term 1

Welcome Everyone!!!

Welcome to Duncombe primary to our new parents and children and not forgetting welcome back to everyone else.

This letter lets you know what Topics we will be covering, what stories and rhymes we will be learning and a reminder of what we have been learning. This is also for you, if you want any support or guidance about a topic like toilet training, parent groups etc please let us know so we can put it in our letter.

Last term was a very busy and long term.

We have another busy term. We have some new children and families so we will be settling in again which can unsettle our existing children so please bear with us and support when you can.

Last term we were looking at reading and I want to continue this and promote singing too.

Repetition of rhymes and stories is good for the brain, teaching how language works and building memory capabilities. Nursery rhymes help develop inferencing skills, both with encountering new words and in reading comprehension. Because these verses are made up of patterns, they are easy first memorisation pieces.

Toddlers can develop their oral skills as they say rhymes. Rhyming books help children begin to predict what is coming or predict what word will end the sentence. These predictive skills are also important pre-reading skills. Plus, **rhymes are fun!**

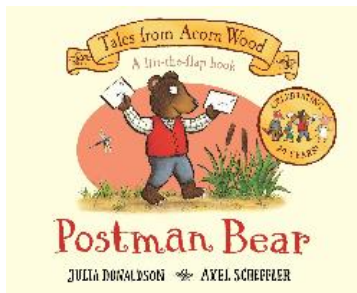
Please remember to bring in your child's book bag so we can change their books. If a book has been damaged, please let us know so we can replace or fix them.

This half term Topics...

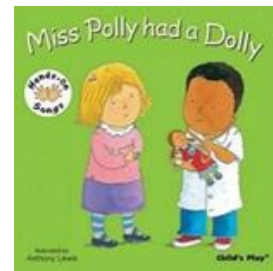
People who help us / Emotions & feelings

Our Stories and Rhymes this term are:

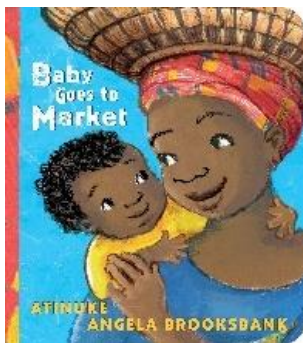
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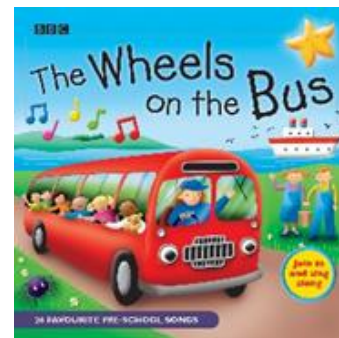
Miss Polly had a dolly



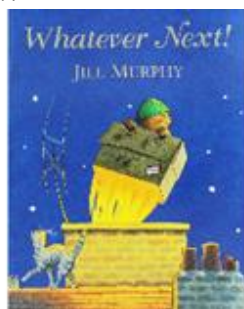
Baby goes to market



Wheels on the bus



Whatever next



Row row the boat



You will get a letter every fortnight with the story, song (lyrics), shape, colour and Makaton. This is for you to help at home.

Things to remember...

- **Toothbrushing** - Tooth brush will continue. Please encourage your child to brush teeth at home. If you need any support please let us know.
- **Snack money** -50P a week or you can pay half termly £3.50. Please give to Sophie or Gemma.
- **Tapestry** - I will be adding all new children to Tapestry over the next week so please look out for an email to activate your account. If you do have any issues please come and see us.

Please remember to log on to Tapestry and have a look at your child's journal. Don't forget you can add photos or videos of things you do or that you are proud of to your child's account and comment on any photos, observations that we have done too.

- **Toilet Training** - let us know if you have started training at home.

If you have a question or concern please come and see us. We are happy to support and help in any way we can.

From The 2-year-old team.