



SET SAIL FOR SUCCESS

Mayflower Topic Letter

Kapoor Class (Nursery)

Spring Term

It's cold! Please ensure your child is wearing at least **3 layers of clothing** and has a **warm coat**.

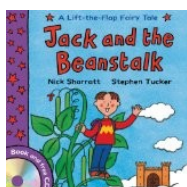


Welcome back and happy new year!

January 2018

Topic

We will be learning the story of *Jack and the Beanstalk*. This is a popular traditional tale.



Science

We will be learning about plants, how they grow and how to care for them. Remember to look at your **Cress head**

Literacy

We will be learning our story and changing the story using our own ideas.

Speaking: We expect children to be speaking in full sentences, as well as ask and reply to simple questions. Please help by encouraging your child to **speak regularly in sentences**.

Reading: We will continue teaching early concepts of print through Shared Reading. These include:

- Direction of print
- Where to start reading
- How to turn pages
- Finding the front and back covers of a book

Please help by reading with your child **every day**. Thank you for practising your key words:

the | and

Writing: We expect every child to be able to write their name by the end of the year. We will be practising writing with a thumb and two finger grip. Please help by taking your child to the playground to develop their arm and hand strength.

Maths

We will keep developing our counting skills. We will start to talk about size and shape. Please help by talking about size with your child. For example:

- Taller than...
- Shorter than...
- Longer than...
- Smaller than...
- Bigger than...

Home Learning

Thank you for reading with your child every day. We will continue learning nursery rhymes at school. Please ensure your child is saying the rhyme with you when you practise at home.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be encouraging all children to become more independent when looking after themselves. Please show your child how to put on their **coat** by themselves, and how to do the zip or buttons. We will be helping children find ways to resolve problems with their friends through PATHS, so they will be meeting Twiggle soon!

Physical Development

We will continue our weekly sessions with the Occupational Therapist. Ask your child to show you some of the animal walks they have been learning! We are focusing on developing your child's fine motor skills by providing activities such as cutting, threading and play-dough.

This half term we will be going on the cable cars to see what it feels like to be up high like the Giant in his castle!