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Dear Parents,

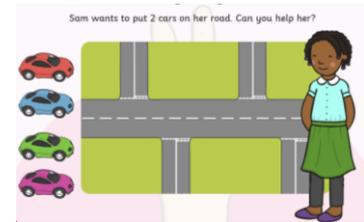
This week the children have been busy learning through the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. They have carried out lots of lovely activities including: using loose parts to make the Troll's face; making bridges with the playdough; building bridges with the construction to cross the water; acting out the story with the stick puppets; painting characters from the story; making wanted posters for the Troll; counting the goats in the field and building obstacle courses outside to get across the water. They children have also made a grass head! We would love to see some pictures of the children with their grass when it has grown; maybe the children could give their grass head a funny hair cut!

We have also been continuing with our Ten Town maths. This week we have been exploring number 2. We have: found sets of 2; practised forming a number 2; explored what 2 looks like in numicon form; identified which dice is showing 2; held up 2 fingers and carried out practical sets of 2 e.g. 2 claps, 2 jumps. While revisiting numbers to 5 we are working hard on our subitising (recognising a number of objects without the need to count them).

Tommy Two



"Hands round to knees,
Then straight across please!"



This week we have also started phase 2 phonics. The children will be learning one sound a week. The sound we have been learning this week is 's'. We have learnt the letter name and the sound. It is important to say the pure sound. The following link will help you how to say pure sounds: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LLTw0oiLNys>. We will be following the letters and sounds programme (<http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-2.html>) alongside the jolly phonics songs (<https://ceehonduras.org/jolly-phonics-p79.php>). The children will also be learning how to form pre-cursive letters. As part of our phonics lessons we will be practicing hearing the initial sounds in words e.g. sun, sock, sand, star etc.



Whoosh and stop, slither down the snake and out.

The children are bringing home robins this week. These are for you to write your child's achievements at home and will be put on our Proud Tree (like the leaves previously sent home). Please name and date the robins.

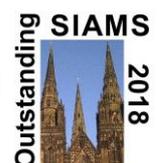
Could we please ask that food items such as sweets are not sent in children's lunchboxes and are instead saved for home time. Please could you also ensure that ALL items that are brought into Nursery are labelled.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Many Thanks,

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The 3 Billy Goats Gruff

Home Learning Challenge

The Troll was very unkind to the 3 Billy Goats Gruff. Talk to a grown up about the unkind things he did and said. Try and think of some things he could do instead, to be friendly to the 3 Billy Goats Gruff.



Make a Troll. It could be a puppet, a picture, a collage, a model or something else completely different.



The 3 Billy Goats Gruff are 3 different sizes. Have a look around your house and find something that is bigger than you and something that is smaller than you. Draw a picture of them both.



Tell the story of the 3 Billy Goats Gruff to someone in your house. Remember to use different voices for all of the characters.

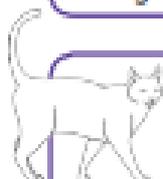


Maths: All about the Number Two

Home Learning Challenges

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Hidden around the page are 2 cats. Can you find and colour them? Can you draw a ball next to each cat? How many balls did you draw altogether?



Ask a grown-up to help you cut some food into halves. Try cutting a small cake in half, right down the middle.

How many pieces are there? Try this with some other food too; make 1 cut across the food and then see how many pieces you have. You could try this with an apple, a cookie, a pizza or a baked potato.



Draw a picture of a teddy bear. Draw 2 circles; one for the teddy's head and one for his body. Then, draw 2 eyes, 2 arms, 2 legs and 2 furry ears. Draw 2 buttons on his tummy too!



Can you see the number 2 written on this page? Can you trace over the numbers at the bottom of the page? You could try writing the number 2 on your own.

Teddy would like a new pair of socks. 'Pair' sometimes means a group of 2 things. Can you draw a pair of socks for teddy? How many socks did you draw? Can you use 2 different colours to decorate the socks?



Use some empty packaging to make a model dragon, bird or aeroplane. Make sure your model has 2 wings - one on each side. We would love to see your creations! You could bring them in, or show us a photo or drawing of your model.



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