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October Holiday Topic Homework

Dear Families,

We have had a great first term together in Pegasus Class and the children have settled in well.

Our topic after the October holiday is called 'Once Upon a Time' – we will immerse ourselves in the wonderful world of stories. We will listen to a range of traditional tales and have the chance to act out the stories in play. We will also listen to alternative contemporary stories to see different viewpoints from the characters. We will use the stories to think about how life has changed from when the stories were written. We will also make up our own stories and make masks, props, and puppets to act out stories.

We have created a Topic Overview to give you a taste of everything we will be covering next term, including how you can help your child at home. This overview is also available on the school website.

Half Term Homework

As detailed in the school newsletter a few weeks ago, we are having a focus on oracy and developing strong speaking and listening skills. We would like you to prepare a short speech about a book character or fairy tale character. This could include telling us what they look like, how they behave or what happens to them in the story.

Speeches should be prepared for the first day back – Tuesday 4th November. Children would be welcome to bring in a picture of their character or the book they come from.

Please encourage your child to share stories with you every day as this really helps with their language and literacy development. Also, don't forget the importance of looking for opportunities to develop maths knowledge – whether it is counting sweets, hunting shapes or playing board games. Reception children, please also practice the sounds we have learnt this term as well as your letter formation.

We hope you have a lovely, restful holiday.

Best wishes,

The Pegasus Team

