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Every week children in Nursery will have the opportunity to cook and taste different food. Children will work in small groups to follow a recipe and prepare food safely for the rest of nursery to taste. This term some of the dishes children will be preparing include sausage rolls, pizza and Gruffalo crumble. A money box will be out next to the question of the day in nursery if you wish to make a small contribution to purchasing the ingredients each week.

## Nursery

### Spring

## The Magical World of Stories



Welcome back after the Christmas holidays and Happy New Year to you all! We hope you have had a fantastic break with your families and enjoyed the festive season. A warm welcome to our new children and families joining us at Glasshoughton Infant Academy Nursery. We are really looking forward to your child starting their learning journey with us.

This term we are looking forward to exploring the magical world of stories. Children will be reading and learning to re-tell 'The Gruffalo' and 'Room on the Broom' written by our class author, Julia Donaldson. Children will learn more about the famous characters in their books and be able to talk about why they are important and special.

Just before the Easter break we will welcome chicks into Nursery. We are so excited for the eggs and incubator to be delivered – pop in and have a look! Children will have lots of opportunities to closely observe and hold the chicks and help to look after them by feeding them and cleaning out their cage.

Personal, Social, Emotional  
Development

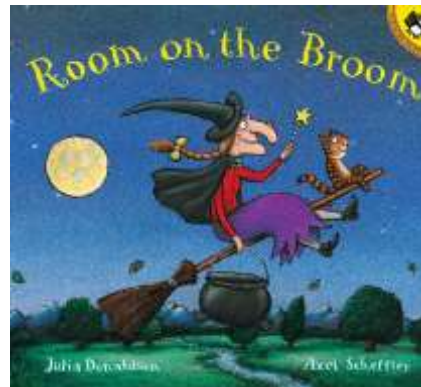
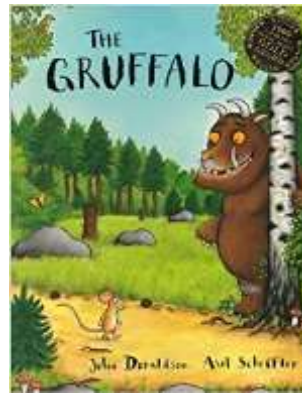
Children will be taking part in weekly circle times to develop their turn taking skills and manners. Children will be discussing how characters in their books feel and relating this to their own experiences.

Literacy

Children will be re-telling stories through story maps and actions. They will be learning to use their phonics to read and write cvc words, e.g. 'cat'. Children will be creating their own chick diary from observing them closely over a two week period.

Understanding the World

Children will be comparing the animals found in their story books, describing the similarities and differences between them. They will learn all about the life cycle of a chick and use technology to create a picture of a chick. It will be Nursery's heritage week during this term where children will be learning about how Castleford has changed over time.



Expressive Arts & Design

Children will be using a variety of media to imitate, innovate and invent art work based on Jackson Pollock's famous paintings. Children will work together to design, create and evaluate a habitat for a Gruffalo in our outdoor area.

Communication and Language

Children will be developing their speaking and listening skills daily through reciting stories, circle times and role play areas. Children will continue to ask and answer questions in our nursery big book. Don't forget to write any questions your child has asked in the nursery entrance.

Maths

Children will be completing activities recognising and ordering numbers to 10, then 20. Children will be finding out 1 more or 1 less than a number to 10 in a range of contexts. Children will be comparing the capacity of different containers in our Gruffalo café.

Physical Development

Children will develop their fine and gross motor skills through dough disco and squiggle while you wiggle. Children will take part in PE sessions, practising their skills when finding a space and moving safely around a large space. Children will even get the opportunity to use the climbing PE equipment in the hall.