

Ash Class

Autumn Term 1st Half Term

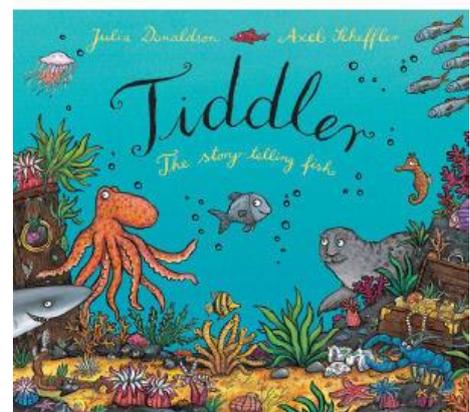
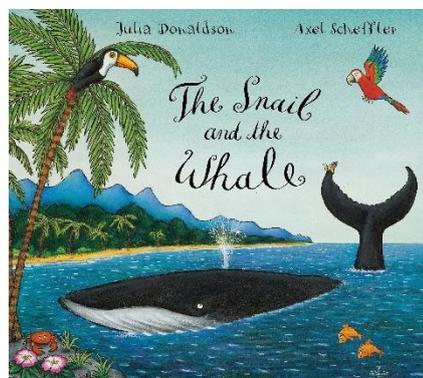
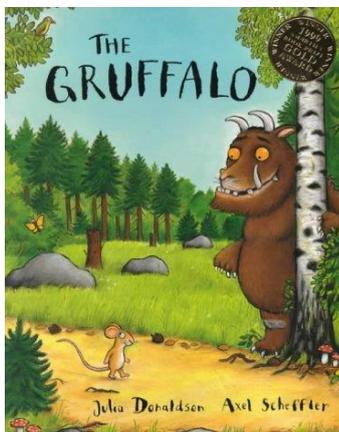
September - October 2017



This newsletter will give you an overview of the learning that will take place over the first half of the Autumn Term.

Our theme for this half term is

Animals in Stories



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

During the first half term, we will be focussing on rules and routines within the classroom. We will learn how to create positive relationships, develop respect for others and build confidence through games and stories. We will also talk about how to stay safe inside and outside of school.

Communication, Language and Literacy

Children will be given opportunities to experience a rich language environment to develop speaking and listening skills. We will focus on the following books, 'The Gruffalo', 'Tiddler', and 'Snail and the Whale', written by Julia Donaldson.

Phonics will be taught daily and the children will cover the 'Letters and Sounds' phases.

Physical Development

This half term we will be focusing on 'Music and Movement' and we will be following simple instructions to move in different ways. Our PE session is on a Wednesday morning so please ensure kits are in school, if your child wears earrings please ensure they are removed Wednesday morning.

The children will complete 'Dough Disco' to strengthen their fine motor skills and will complete 'Funky Fingers' activities every morning.

Mathematics

During this half term the children will develop their understanding of numbers through lots of different maths activities and number songs. We will focus on numbers up to 10 to begin with and work up to 20. We will also look at recognising 2D and 3D shapes.

Understanding the world

Children will have access to different forms of technology including the Interactive Whiteboard, class computers and iPads. The children will look at our Forest School area and explore the different types of trees around our school. We will also look at animals that live in the forest and investigate their habitats.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have the opportunity to be creative this half term, by making Gruffalo masks, animal paintings and much more using a variety of different media. The children will also have access to the stage and musical equipment in the outdoor area.

We are looking forward to the term ahead and all the exciting things the children will experience. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Many Thanks

Miss Goodman and Mrs Gregory