



Little Hadham
Primary School
'Believing and Achieving'

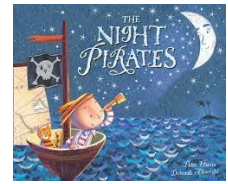
Early Years Spring Newsletter 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and a very warm welcome back to you all! We hope you all had a wonderful break over the Christmas period and are looking forward to the term ahead. We wanted to say a very big thank you for your generous gifts and kind words at the end of the last term.



To start the new term, we have based our provision on the theme of Nursery Rhymes. From building strong walls to keep Humpty Dumpty safe, to having Incy Wincy Spider scuttling around in our water area, there's lots to engage and entice the children to different areas of learning. Our key text for teacher-directed learning is currently *The Magic Paintbrush* by Julia Donaldson, which we will be using as an enticement for writing and exploring new vocabulary. After half term, we will be jumping into our new topic 'On the Move'. For this, *The Night Pirates* by Peter Harris, will be our key text.



Phonics will continue for both Ash and Saplings. Saplings will now start to enhance their learning through the exploration of letter sounds, and Ash will be continuing to strengthen, develop and acquire new special friends. Thank you all for your support with reading and sharing stories at home; it makes a hugely positive impact on the children's engagement and enjoyment of reading in school!



It has been wonderful to see many of you using Tapestry, posting your child's learning and commenting on their wow moments from school! Your input is really appreciated and encouraged. Of course, if you ever have any questions about Tapestry, please do not hesitate to speak to one of us about it.

Please do check to see if the names in clothing are still visible and have not fallen off or come off in the wash. It is also very useful to have named spare items of clothing too; thank you for your help with this. As a reminder, we are a nut-free school so please remember this if you are giving your child a packed lunch.

Do remember to check the school website regularly so that you see all the wonderful learning that is going on. Here, you will also find copies of any letters we send home and an outline of our curriculum.

You can find the Ash page here: <https://littlehadham.herts.sch.uk/pupils/ash/>

You can find the Saplings page here: <https://littlehadham.herts.sch.uk/pupils/saplings/>



Lastly, we do ask for a £5 voluntary contribution each term just to help us with the small incidental things like ingredients for playdough/cooking, sensory items and also things specific to the children's interests. We really do appreciate your help with this and extend sincere gratitude to you; it makes a huge difference.

We are really looking forward to the rest of the term ahead!

The Early Years Team