



Year R Learning Journey



Week beginning: 4th May 2026

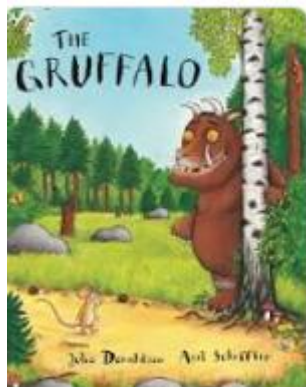
This week we will be learning about The Gruffalo

In Literacy they will be learning about the Gruffalo story and writing about the characters and events in the story.

In Maths they will be using their number bond knowledge to work out subtraction questions.

Reminder

Monday 4th May is a Bank Holiday, therefore school will be closed.



Home Challenge

Can you read or watch the Gruffalo at home. It is available on BBC iplayer.

Click on the link below to watch it.

[BBC iPlayer - The Gruffalo](#)

Can you draw a picture of the Gruffalo or imagine your own scary monster - can you label the different parts of your monster?

Thank you for your support.

How you can help at home

- ✓ Read the Gruffalo Story [The Gruffalo by Julia Donaldson. Children's read-aloud \(audiobook\) with colour illustrations. \(youtube.com\)](#)
- ✓ Keep practising sounds and key words every day.
- ✓ Keep practising your reading book every day.
- ✓ Encourage your child to write a simple sentence using finger spaces, capital letters and full stops, e.g. "The box is big."
- ✓ Talk about and try out subtracting / take away using- toys, books, food at dinner.

Little Wandle - Letters and Sounds Reception Phonics Home Learning



Phase 4 - Summer 1 Week 4

Focus - Longer words / compound words

Please support your child to practise and reinforce the phonemes and graphemes we are learning in school. More information and support can be found on the Little Wandle website - <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -

s	a	t	i	n	m	d	g
o	c	k	ck	e	u	r	h
b	f	l	ff	ll	ss	j	v
w	x	y	z	zz	qu	ch	sh
th	ng	nk	ai	ee	igh	oa	oo/oo
ar	or	ur	ow	oi	ear	air	er

We will be reading and writing words. Can you spot segment and blend these words and spot this week's phonemes?

farming	forest	blanket	children
freshness	present	windmill	lunchbox
shampoo	wooden	finger	printer

We will be reading sentences. Can you spot any tricky words? Can you segment and blend the words and look out for this week's phonemes?

We are strong and we sprint in the forest.

The shampoo smells of blossom.

The second chimpanzee got a present.

We will be practising tricky words. Can you spot the tricky part/parts of the word?

there	when	what	one
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NELI News 13

This is what we have been doing in our NELI sessions this week. Our topic is Growing. As you chat with your child this week, see if you can use these special words as much as possible.

Our special words this week

measure



roots



vegetables



heavy



plant



fruits



light



dig



apple



weight



trunk



cherry



Our story this week

The Enormous Turnip

orange



Family Fun Page 13

Here are some games and challenges for you and your child to do together - have fun!

Game/song of the week

Sing the song 'Oranges and Lemons' together. If you don't know this song, you can easily find it online.

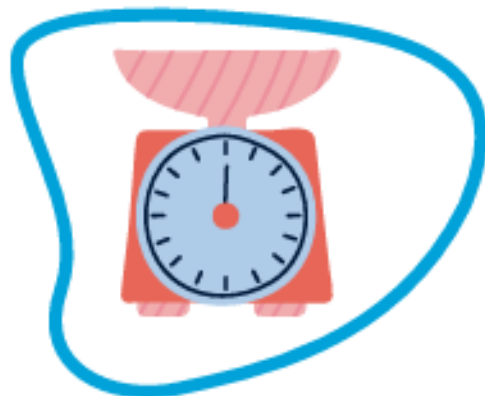


Online search of the week

Find a video of the story of 'The Enormous Turnip' and watch it with your child. Maybe you already have this storybook, or can borrow it from the library?

Activity of the week

Ask your child to find some things from around the home, then put them on scales together to measure how much they weigh. Which is heaviest? Which is lightest?



Try these at home



