

## St Leo's and Southmead School Nursery Newsletter 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017

During this half term we introduce each area of the nursery and find out about their interests and different things that we can do in that area with our key worker. Following are a few activities that you may like to try at home with your child.

During this half term we will be sharing Traditional Tales which include The Three Bears, The Three Little Pigs and The Gingerbread Man. We will be talking about the Author, Illustrator, Title, the front and back of the book and the difference between words and pictures. We will also be recreating some of these stories exploring writing by making story maps, using ICT toys and making shopping lists. We will also be having fun with maths buying bowls, spoons and porridge from our role play shop to use to make porridge.

As part of Key Worker time we have continued sharing the children's favourite rhymes. We have also had our next Dough Disco session. This is a weekly activity where children roll, stretch, squash and squeeze play dough to help them develop arm, hand and finger muscle strength ready for writing.

As part of an ongoing interest in Babies and our School RE Come and See Topic Baptism we will be reinacting our own Baptism on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November during the session. Thank you for sending in your lovely baby photographs which we have shared as part of Key Worker time.

**Top Tip of the week linked to Maths :While out and about look for shapes in the environment including square windows, rectangle doors, circle wheels etc**

### Writing workshop

**Don't forget our writing workshop takes place here on Wednesday 15th November at 10.50 am till 11.30 am.**

We will be setting up some fun activities in all of our areas both inside and out for you and your child to explore together and there will also be an ideas booklet to take away.

### Tuesday Book Shop

**Just to let you know we have a Tuesday Book shop here at Nursery every Tuesday. We have a selection of both fiction story books and Non Fiction facts and information books for sale. Each book costs between 50p and £1.00. The shop is open at 11.30 am at the end of session time.**

### EASY PEASY APP RESEARCH PROJECT AT ST LEOS AND SOUTHMEAD

Just to let you know we are looking at taking part in a research project called easy peasey. This is an app which you can download and use to access weekly fun games and activities to support your child in their learning and development and readiness for school Reception. Please feel free to ask any questions about it. You can view some clips on [you tube typing in A day in the life of Easy Peasy.](#)  
[Easy Peasy App](#)

**If you have any questions, child interests, queries, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to come and talk to any of the Key Workers or your child's Key Worker. Thank you from the Nursery Team**