



Our core book this half term is: 'The Little Red Hen'



Here is Mr Tumble retelling the story using Makaton (a form of sign language)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HEJPSPNv3Do>



We have been observing the tadpoles that we caught in our pond and are patiently waiting for them to grow legs and transform into froglets! This change is called '*metamorphosis*' - it's a very big word but we are trying our best to learn how to say it!

We have also been looking at the other changes that are happening in the natural environment. Have you noticed more leaves growing on the trees? Or any new flowers popping up from the ground? The daffodils have all wilted in our garden but there are some sunflowers beginning to grow. We have planted some other seeds, hopefully they will grow into something tasty over the next few months!



This week's rhyme

Five little speckled frogs

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VQTVrxj4I6o>

This week at story time, we are...

- Welcoming our new friends, learning their names and helping them to settle in to life at nursery.
- Sharing the story "The Little Red Hen".
- Thinking about ways that we can help each other, just like the animals in the story.

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Key vocabulary we are learning at nursery:

Hen	Knead
Cat	Water
Dog	Cut
Pig	Bake
Lazy	Bread
Sleepy	Metamorphosis
Noisy	Tadpole
Wheat	Froglet
Grind	Frog
Flour	Change
Mill	Transform



Parent tip - Learning new vocabulary is important in developing both communication skills and early literacy. Encourage your child/children to use new words during daily activities. Have meaningful conversations about the things you do together. Try to use open-ended questions, such as “I wonder what...” rather than “what is” questions.

Please read with your child every day; you can borrow a book from our library to share at home.

When reading with your child, think about...

- Asking your child what they can see in the pictures
- Using different voices to read the story
- Draw a picture of the story: Who are the characters? What happens first?

**Please join us for a family story session in the library on
Wednesday 1st May at 9am.**