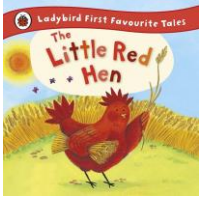




Holmewood Nursery Curriculum Newsletter April 2024

After the Easter holidays the children arrived back to lots of Spring growth at Nursery! The sunflower seeds they had planted have begun to grow, many new minibeasts have appeared and we have also been able to observe tadpoles. We have started our new core book, *The Little Red Hen* and eagerly anticipate our school trips to the Brixton Windmill on 29th and 30th April.

Our focus book this week is...



Key vocabulary:

wheat - grain - flour - cat - rat
pig - mill - windmill

plant - grow - water - cut - carry -
grind - knead - bake - purr -
squeak - snort

Once upon a time,
Early one morning,
Who will help me ...?
Not I,
Then I will do it myself!

Literacy Activity



Listen to the story of the *Little Red Hen*. Here is a nice audio version from the bbc that involves a listening game; <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/eyfs-listen-and-play-the-little-red-hen/zfptqp3>

Encourage your child to retell the story with the puppets on the next page, or toys at home. There are lots of different versions of the story with different farm animals, so don't worry if you don't have the right ones!

Can your child remember some key phrases and vocabulary from the story? Do they remember the structure of the story? Can they tell you what happens next?

Maths Activity



As the weather has been getting warmer, we have begun to enjoy more water play outdoors. The children have been exploring the language of size and measure. At home put out different sized bottles/spoons/bowls (this could be at the sink, in the bath or outside). Allow your child to fill the containers with water/rice/lentils/oats. Ask them;

Which container has more / less (fewer)... ?
Can you find a container that will hold more / less (fewer) ... ?
Which has the most / least (fewest) ... ?
How do you know?
Is yours empty or full?
What would happen if you used a bigger/smaller spoon?

