Dear Parents,

What a lovely sunny week to come back to! The children did some fantastic holiday writing on Monday -what busy holidays you had!

This term in English we are focusing on Traditional Tales. This week the children have been introduced to (and reminded of) the types of stories these are. If you have any of these stories at home (all the "Once upon a time.." ones) please can the children read them again? You may enjoy telling each other different versions of the same story (do the little pigs run to the next house, or get eaten by the Big Bad Wolf?). This term we shall be familiarising the children with the original stories before encouraging them to alter characters and/or events for their own retelling.

In maths this week we have been learning about position and direction. We have learned about clockwise and anti-clockwise as well as turning left and right. When we put both together it was quite a challenge to get Dennis to his house in the activity! Next week we will be measuring in cm,m as well as comparing and ordering lengths.

PE is on Mondays and Tuesdays. Mrs Cavanagh from The Lenham School is teaching us Mondays, and our focus is Outdoor Adventurous Activities. This week we had the blindfolds out, -see if your child can tell you about it!

Please keep up the home reading -I can tell from listening to the children this week that some of them had been too busy to read over the holiday! We need to give the children the best chance of being successful in their SATs later next month, so I'd really appreciate all your help at home.

Our topic this term is Paws, Claws and Wings. We shall be learning about habitats and food chains. Next week we shall be looking closely at trees and how they support life. Have a lovely weekend, I hope the sun stays out!

Mrs Martin

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