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Dear Parents and Children,

Hope you are all enjoying your time at home. How did you go on learning some shape names? Did you manage to make a shape house? If so, I would love to see a picture. I enjoyed looking at Jorgie's houses on the school Facebook page.

This week is all about the story of "The 3 Little Pigs". If you have not got this story at home, you can just google it. Read the story with your child, talking about the book as you go. The title is "The 3 Little Pigs"- what do you think the story could be about? Then focus on the words on our word wall below, as your little one may not understand what the word means.

Encourage them to join in with each exchange between the wolf and pig which features ringing proverbial phrases, namely:

"Little pig, little pig, let me come in".

"No, no, by the hair on my chinny, chin. chin."

"Then I'll huff and I'll puff and I will blow your house in."

Ask them questions about the book, making it fun. How many pigs were there? What colour are the pigs? Why did they have to leave their mum? What was the 1<sup>st</sup> Little Pig's house made out of? Give them a choice: was it brick, straw or sticks? Spending time talking about the book helps to boost your child's speaking and listening skills which are essential in learning, extending vocabulary, sequencing, memory and, later on, creative writing. Read the story every day.

pig		wolf	
straw		sticks	
bricks		house	
blow		three	
fire		chin	
run			



## Creative Activities



### Monday- Making the pigs

Using your child's hand, make 3 handprints with paint or draw around their hand. Colour in pink, then turn them into little pigs by cutting a circle for the head, cut all around another smaller circle to make the spiral curly tails.

### Tuesday- Making the pigs' houses

#### What you will need

Straw- as an alternative you could use hay if you have a pet or shredded wheat cereal, straws or cut/shred yellow paper.

Twigs- you could use twigs ONLY from your own garden due to current circumstances, or uncooked spaghetti pasta.

Brick- cut out lots of red rectangles and stick on to your house or paint rectangle shapes using the end of a toothpaste box or a rectangle wooden block to create the brick.



#### What's next?

Draw 3 houses if you have something that is a square and triangle shape you could help your child to draw around these to make a house, then using the ideas above begin to make the houses for the pigs.

### Wednesday - kitchen roll wolf

Paint, colour or stick paper onto the tube or just use the tube as it is and make 2 pointy ears, 2 eyes and a long nose to stick on to create a wolf.

### Thursday - Sensory story time

Instead of just using the book or internet to tell the story, act out the story using all the fabulous things you made this week. Who is going to be the pigs? Who is going to be the big bad wolf? This will be so much fun and will help your child to retain the story, extending oral language skills and vocabulary. In addition, children learn about sequencing and story elements.

### Friday -Additional activities

Count the pigs, How many were there? Put the numbers next to the pigs counting 1, 2, 3

Sorting- cut out some different coloured pigs and curly tails. In a tray, add brown rice or coco powder or melt chocolate and allow to dry to create what pigs love best, which is mud. Put all the curly tails in the tray and then using your tweezers (supervised), have a try at grasping the tail and matching it to the right colour pig.



At home, I had great fun mixing melted chocolate with shredded wheat. I put cling film over a mug then spread the chocolate straw looking mix over the mug and allowed to dry. I carefully removed the mug and cling film, leaving me with a delicious hay house. You could easily make the stick house if have matchmakers or breadsticks. Pineapple cubes are healthy and nutritious option for the brick house. The little piglets in my house loved eating the edible houses!

Have a try at learning these new Little Pigs songs- there are some new words in them that you have been learning this week:

Three Little pigs- Cocomelon Nursery Rhymes and kids songs:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2s7cz6p7jew>

Three Little Pigs Song-YouTube Rock N Learn:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sgTT\\_uic4T8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sgTT_uic4T8)

We hope you have a fun and busy week! If you have any other ideas, please let us know- we would love to hear them.

Take care,

Mrs Tabbenor, Miss Stanyer and Miss Gazey.