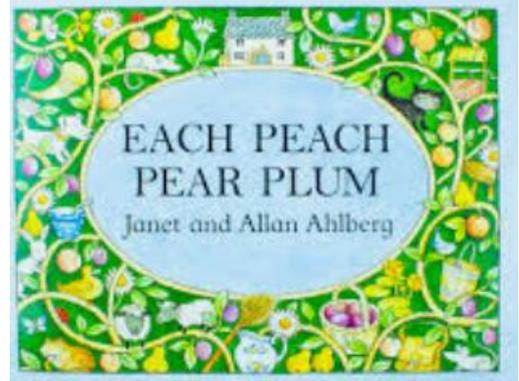




### *This week's themes*

This week in drawing club we will be using one of the Mr Benn stories to inspire the children with their storytelling. It is a very old BBC cartoon with lovely use of language. We will be discussing the costumes and adventures and ask the children to think of their own costumes and adventures.

At the end of the week, we will conclude our topic of Once Upon A Time with the book 'Each, Peach, Pear, Plum'. We will encourage the children to recall all of the stories taught and ask them which were their favourites. This book gives the opportunity to follow characters through the book by looking closely at the illustrations.



### *Maths*

*In maths this week we will be looking at 1 less . Children will notice that, as we count backwards, the numbers get smaller, because we are taking 1 away. We will prompt children to recognise that the order of the numbers does not change when we count back.*

*We will be using the language;*

- What is 1 less than \_\_\_\_?
- What is the number before \_\_\_\_\_?
- \_\_\_\_\_ is 1 less than \_\_\_\_\_
- 1 less than \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_

### *Phonics*

This half term we have introduced a lot of new digraphs and trigraphs. We will be reviewing these over the next few weeks. It is quite tricky for the children to change from recognising one letter and saying the corresponding sound to seeing two/three letters for one sound. The new sounds we have recently learnt are attached to this newsletter, so please if you have time review them with your child for a few minutes before reading.

*Thank you for your support. Mrs Clarke, Ms Tonkyn and Mrs Upfold.*