

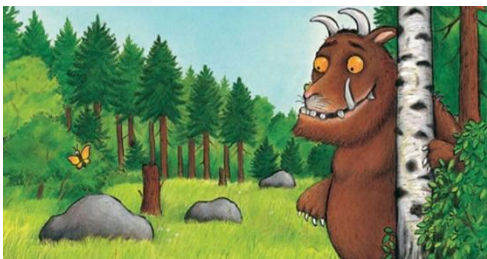
Year R

Learning News

A big **hello** to our Year R families! It's been another busy few weeks in school, to cap off a full first half term for our wonderful Reception children!

In the past couple of weeks, we have been taking advantage of the milder (and sometimes drier) weather by spending more time in our garden. Signs of autumn are all around and we have been using leaves and other things from our outdoor space to inspire our art and creations both inside and outside the classroom. We've loved making lots of crafts based on our sounds of the weeks (including rockets, umbrellas and lollipops!). We have also have been trying fun new activities to improve our fine motor skills, like our exciting play dough disco!

We are so proud of how well the children have settled at Carlisle and the progress they have made already. Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you on 4th November.



But who is this creature with terrible claws, and terrible teeth in his terrible jaws? It is, of course, *The Gruffalo*!

We have been exploring this fantastic story all week and enjoying the wonderful rhymes. We have been retelling the story in our own words, recreating it in small world play and doing some wonderful Gruffalo drawings! Can your child tell you about the story? Which creatures did the Mouse meet on his journey through the deep, dark wood?

IMPORTANT DATES

28th October – 1st November:
Half Term

Wednesday 6th November:
Parent consultations

Saturday 9th November: CSA
Fireworks, here at Carlisle
School. Please support this
wonderful event!

Number: Last week we were comparing size, mass and capacity. We ordered things in different ways and used language like 'big', 'little', 'large' and 'small'. We thought about patterns we can see or hear. Can your child clap a pattern for you to follow? This week we have been thinking lots about the numbers 1, 2 and 3. We have been finding these amounts in our environment and thinking how we can recognise the numbers without always counting (this is called subitising).



How you can help: After half term, we will be thinking about celebrations. **Please send in a picture of a celebration** that your child is comfortable talking about. It could be a birthday party, a wedding, a baptism, a party for Eid or another holiday. Many thanks!