



EYFS Newsletter - Friday 23rd October 2026

Ambition Belonging Courage

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Happy Half Term -

We wanted to take an opportunity to say a huge well done to each and every child.

They have started school so brilliantly and have settled into everything with great confidence and excitement. Over the half term we hope you all find some time to rest. We also hope you find time to make lots of wonderful memories. We would love for these memories to be shared with us at school.

Half Term Challenge - please can we ask that every child after the holiday brings in a photo of something they did during the October half term. It is easier please send it to the year group email - eyfs@billingshurstprimary.org.uk

We will be using these photos as a talking point when we return to school. Thank you!

Here are some half term activity ideas -

Pumpkin picking - This could even just be at your local supermarket. Ask your child to choose a pumpkin, take it home, design a face for it. Let your child explore the insides of the pumpkin. What is inside? How many seeds can you see?

Cosy movie afternoon - Get your favourite snack, shut all the curtains, grab a cosy blanket and relax as a family.

Art project - Perhaps you could find an autumn item and have a go at drawing or painting a picture of it.





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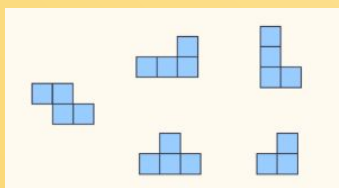
This week we have introduced the children to the book, *The Grumpalump*, by Sarah Hayes. It has been wonderful sharing this book with the children as not many, if any, had seen the text before. It is about a group of animals who find a mysterious object, which turns out to be a hot air balloon.

This weeks new vocabulary - inquisitive, mysterious and tumbled.

It has been great to hear the children start to use these words in their play.

The children have enjoyed working together as a whole class to make our own hot air balloon. The children worked brilliantly together to create this whole class piece of artwork. We spoke a lot about where we would go in a hot air balloon. And who would be brave enough to go in one.

Tetrominoes -



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Maths -

This week in maths the children have loved exploring number formation. They have used our number cards and whiteboards to attempt to write their numbers.

We have also looked at the number 4. The children have continued to develop their subitising skills. They have also been introduced to the idea that 4 can be displayed in a square shape. The final thing we have introduced the children to this week is tetrominoes. These are geometric shapes made out of squares (See the picture to the left). The children have explored how many they can make for the number 4.





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Our week in photos...



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