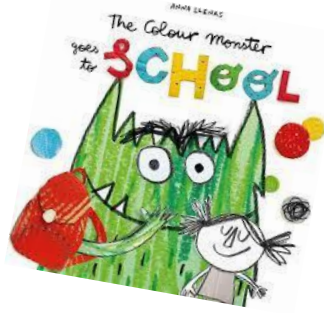
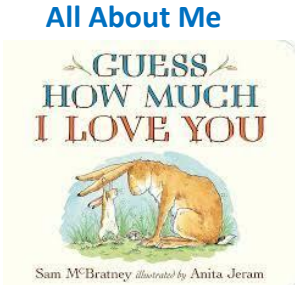
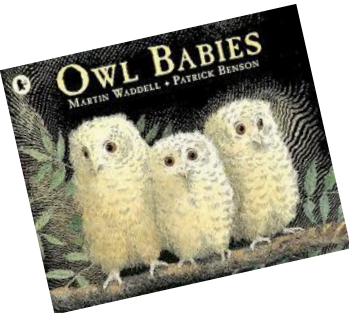


Reading: These are our key texts for this half term: Guess How Much I Love You The Colour Monster goes to school Owl Babies We will be discussing these stories and learning new vocabulary. We will be describing different characters and settings. We will also have a go at anticipating key events.	Writing: We will be building our confidence and skill with name writing, focusing on the correct letter formation, and using capital letters only where appropriate. We will be identifying the initial sounds in words and using these to add labels and captions to our creations. We will also be giving meaning to the marks that we make in our play.	Maths: We will be exploring counting to five using one to one correspondence, recognising numbers up to five and of personal significance to us (such as our age, door numbers). We will be exploring shapes and the properties of each shape and looking for these shapes in the environment. We will begin to sort objects into groups, for example using colour, shape and size.	Phonics: We will learn the graphemes and phonemes for s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, l. We will be building confidence in blending simple words together, e.g. cat, pin, and recognising the initial sounds in words. We will also learn the tricky words is, l, the.	
Personal Social and Emotional Development: This half term we will be focusing on getting to know your child and finding out what they enjoy and are interested in as they settle into their new class. We will be getting to know each other through games and circle time activities and getting used to our routine. We will be exploring our feelings, and how we can take other people's feelings into account.				Expressive Arts and Design: We will be exploring the different areas of the classroom, such as junk modelling and playdough. We will be exploring the different tools, techniques, and materials available in each area. We will be creating self-portraits and artworks inspired by Owl Babies and The Colour Monster.
Understanding the World: This half term, our RE focus will be Creation and Covenant. We will explore the wonderful world we live in and think about the animals God created. We will learn that God made each of us different and special. We will also spend time talking about our families and the people we love.	Physical Development: We will be exploring using small and large equipment in the environment and focus on developing our skills with one handed tools, for example developing an appropriate pencil grip and controlling scissors effectively. We will be negotiating space on the playground, avoiding obstacles and learning how to keep ourselves safe. In PE we will be exploring different ways to move, and how we can use different parts of our bodies for transport. We will be managing our own basic hygiene and personal needs, such as dressing, toileting and accessing the snack area.			Communication and Language: We will be getting to know the other people in our class by asking questions and listening to responses. We will be learning to follow instructions and listen attentively.
Key Information: We will have PE on a Thursday, and the children will get changed for this in class. They will need only their shorts and their PE t-shirt. Please do visit Tapestry! You will be able to see what your child is learning at school, and you can share some news from home too!				