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Dear Parents/Carers,

WORLD Nursery Rhyme Week

The importance of nursery rhymes for the under 7s:

- Nursery rhymes and children's songs boost vocabulary and language development
- The help children to develop literacy skills
- They provide a fun way to support early numeracy skills
- Nursery rhymes help children to develop social, physical and emotional skills.

St John's are excited to be taking part in the WORLD Nursery Rhyme Week. Throughout the week, activities will be held in class focusing on the rhymes below.

Our 'Rhyme a Day' challenge will focus on each rhyme in the following order:

- Monday 18th November: 'Baa Baa Black Sheep'.
- Tuesday 19th November: 'Down in the Jungle'.
- Wednesday 20th November: 'Incy Wincy Spider'.
- Thursday 21st November: 'Row Row Row Your Boat'.
- Friday 22nd November: 'Two Little Dickie Birds'.

It would be great if you could share rhymes at home with your child. Supporting your children to think of rhyming words is also important. The rhymes covered during the week will be added to tapestry by your child's class teacher. We would love for you to share what you are doing at home to support the week!

We would like to invite parents into St John's to come and share rhymes with the children. If you would like to come in and share a rhyme during the week please speak to Mrs Coyle (Reception) or Miss Rist (Nursery) to arrange a time.

For more information please visit: https://www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/

Any questions please speak to a member of the EYFS team,

Happy Rhyming!

Kendall Stuart-Smith

English Leader

