

Tuesday 5th February- Read the poem together and then choose an activity below to complete.
You may also like to watch this version:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HpwAP36-w7E>

The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear

The Owl and the Pussycat went to sea

In a beautiful pea-green boat,

They took some honey, and plenty of money,

Wrapped up in a five-pound note.

The Owl looked up to the stars above,

And sang to a small guitar,

'O lovely pussy! O Pussy my love,

What a beautiful Pussy you are, You are, You are!

What a beautiful Pussy you are!'

Pussy said to the Owl, 'You elegant fowl!

How charmingly sweet you sing!

O let us be married! Too long we have tarried:

But what shall we do for a ring?'

They sailed away, for a year and a day,

To the land where the Bong-tree grows

And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood

With a ring at the end of his nose, his nose, His nose,

With a ring at the end of his nose.

'Dear Pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling Your ring?

Said the Piggy, 'I will.'

So they took it away and were married next day

By the turkey who lives on the hill.

They dined on mince, and slices of quince,

Which they ate with a runcible spoon;

And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,

They danced by the light of the moon, The moon, The moon,

They danced by the light of the moon.

Activities linked to 'The Owl and the Pussycat'

- Read the poem to your grown up.
- Learn to recite a small section of the poem (one coloured section is a good guide for how much to learn). Here is a short video clip with tips to help you memorise a poem <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zjhhvcw/articles/zsgvjty> You might like to record yourself saying it!
- Create a picture linked to one of the coloured sections.
- Discuss what you think happened next. Perhaps you could finish this sentence : **After they danced they**
- Write a list of all the rhyming words you can find in the poem.
- Make something from the poem using what you have at home (Lego, blocks, boxes etc.) You could make one of the characters, their boat, a bong tree (as it is not a real tree, you can really use your imagination!)... or something else!

Remember you don't need to do all these activities!