

Worship

This term we are thinking about fear and courage. Today we are thinking about the fable of The Gnat and the Lion.

You can listen to the story here: [English KS1/KS2: Aesop's Fables - 6. The Gnat and the Lion - BBC Teach](#)

Or ask an adult to read it to you by finding the story on the worship page of the website (follow this link): [Worship Space - ST MARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL \(banburystmarysschool.co.uk\)](#)

The Gnat claims that he can outwit The Lion, despite the disparity in their size and strength. When Lion attacks, the Gnat jumps out of the way, buzzes around, then flies up the Lion's nose, where he begins to bite. The Gnat only stops biting when the Lion agrees to call it the King of the Beasts. The Gnat is very pleased with itself and looks for somewhere suitably soft and comfortable to make a new home. It wraps itself in what looks like a lacy shawl, realising too late that it is a spider's web. Despite the Gnat's protest that it is the King of the Beasts, the spider eats it for supper.

Reflection

Don't be over-confident – even if you think you should succeed, you may not if you do not put in sufficient effort.

