

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support with our class allocations. All children have settled in well and are excited to learn. This term children will explore celebrations around the world and will learn about different festivals. They will begin to understand different cultures and celebrations.

Please carry on supporting your child with their Phonics journey. We will keep sending the new learned sounds every Friday for your information.

Please add a note to the 'Reading Record' every time you read.

We will be beginning our rehearsals for the Christmas Concert. This is a very exciting time and we are looking forward to welcoming you all to share some songs with you. We will not be asking for specific costumes but instead you will be asked to dress your child in a Christmas jumper and make them look festive. Every child will be participating in a way and will have lots of fun! **More information about this to follow.**

English and Phonics

We will continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme focusing on decoding, prosody and comprehension. Please refer to the weekly handout about the sounds covered.

Books we will be using:

Room on the Broom, Stick Man, Owl Babies, Funnybones stories, Rama and Sita, The Jolly Christmas Postman Christmas Stories/Nativity

Expressive Arts and Design

Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.

Use materials and colours purposefully and with control.

Communication and Language

This term we will be focusing on asking questions to find out more and to check children's understanding about what has been said to them. We will develop social phrases and engage in story times.

Maths

Our Maths lessons this term will delve into simple shapes and their structure. We will begin to look at sides, corners and positioning. We will also be looking at numbers to 5 and how we can subitise, represent and form these.

Reception

Term 2



PE

We will be developing the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance, and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics and sports. Developing children's small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely, and confidently. P.E will be on **Wednesday.**

Understanding the World

Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.

Managing Self

Independence - resources. Confidence-try new activities and making choices. Responsibility – class resources. Communicate own needs. Keep healthy –tooth-brushing.

Self - Regulation

Communication – recall experiences, make choices. Understand how others feel- share experiences similar and different.

PSHE

Celebrating Difference

We will be exploring what makes us and our families unique by looking at different family structures, homes and cultures.

Music

Explore, use, and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups.