

AUTUMN (2) October 2019

This half term our topic is 'Celebrations and Seasons'. We will be exploring many of the celebrations and festivities that people from a range of cultures and religions celebrate at this time of year for example, Diwali, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Christmas. We will also observe the changes that occur as we move from Autumn to Winter.

Phonics — we will continue with our daily 'Read Write Inc' phonics sessions where we will continue to learn new phonemes represented by one letter of the alphabet. We will also practice our pre-cursive letter formation and begin to learn to read and spell 3 letter words. We will continue to develop our understanding of rhyme and oral blending and segmenting.

In Maths, this half term we will be looking at the following topics: length and time – children will compare lengths using comparative language short, taller, longest and will be learning o'clock and 1 minute. Recognising and combining coins – children will use 1p and 2p coins to solve shopping problems. Exploring Numbers to 8 – children will continue to apply key counting principles; represent numbers in different ways; and count out the required number of objects from a larger group. We will be sorting objects into groups; comparing quantities of identical and non-identical objects; finding 1 more and 1 less than a given number.

In Language this half term, we will continue our 'Talk for Writing' programme of work. We will focus on the story of 'The Gingerbread Man'. Using this book we will learn to retell stories using props, actions and story maps; we will learn to sequence key events; and think about the characters involved in the stories and how they act and feel. We will also learn about the Nativity story through role play. The children will be practicing their writing and mark making skills by writing labels for their models and characters from the story of 'The Gingerbread Man'. They will also be writing Diwali and Christmas cards for their friends and families.

P.E. will be every Thursday and will be taught by Team Theme.
Homework will be sent home on a Friday and should be returned by the following Monday.