

# Foundation Stage 2

## Newsletter

### Autumn Term 2 2019

#### Communication and Language

We will continue to develop our speaking and listening skills in our daily circle time. We will encourage the children to take part in class discussions to share their thoughts, ideas and opinions.

#### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be thinking about self-confidence, talking about what we enjoy, what we are good at and what we need help with.

To help develop the children's independence we are asking grown-ups to say goodbye at the outside doors and encourage the children to enter school on their own. Please use the next two weeks to introduce this to the children and we would love to see all children entering school independently the week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Physical Development

Children will continue to develop both their fine and gross motor skills using the inside and outside learning environments.

#### Literacy

This half term we will continue to learn new sounds and practise letter formation in order to read and write simple words, captions and sentences. Our focus text is 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy but we will also continue to enjoy and discuss a wide range of books.

#### Expressive Arts & Design

Children will continue to have the opportunity to use their imaginations, sing songs, dance and create beautiful masterpieces. Not to forget we will be creating Christmas cards and calendars and performing our wonderful Christmas concert!

#### Maths

This half term we will be concentrating on sorting, comparing quantities and continuing with our learning about numbers to 10. During enterprise week we will also focus on capacity as we make our goods to sell at the Christmas Fayre.

#### Understanding of the World

The children will have plenty of hands on practical opportunities to investigate and explore the natural world. Coming up to Christmas we will also be talking about families, celebrations and traditions.

This term we will be continuing to follow the children's interests. The children will take the lead and their thoughts and ideas will be used to shape the learning opportunities and experiences.

#### Autumn 2 home learning Ideas

1. Take an autumn walk and bring in some of your autumn treasure.
2. Keep a weather chart for a week and bring it in to share.
3. Draw a fireworks picture.
4. As the weather gets colder can you draw someone dressed for a cold day?
5. Make a model of something that interests you and bring it in for a show and tell with the class.

#### A Note To Families

If your child has borrowed any uniform from school including spare underwear please can this be returned to school? On this note if anyone has any spare uniform that your child has grown out of, school would appreciate any donations.

If you have any queries or questions at all, please feel free to pop in and see us any at the beginning or end of the day. It is important to work together to provide your children with the best possible learning opportunities.

Thank you for your continued support,  
The Foundation Stage 2 Team.

