

## Welcome back!

The children have settled back quickly into the term.

This half-term we will be doing lots of exciting work about 'Changes'.



We will also be thinking about 'homes'with stories like 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Peace At Last'.

This term we are also developing our 'phonological awareness'- which is the stage before phonics. We do this by making lots of different sound effects with our voices, listening to rhyme, clapping the syllables in our names and generally playing with sounds.

## Sound songs

We will be sending home sound songs soon. Your child will teach you the tunewhich stays the same for each letter. Please practice the sound songs we send home.

## Class Kitty

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Class Kitty- we were able to buy the grasshoppers and lovely resources for collage.

## Displays

Have you seen our lovely displays in the nursery and in the hall?

The children will have the opportunity to watch sparklers and eat beans and baked potatoes to celebrate Bonfire Night.

We will also be having River and his animals visit us on Friday 20th October and Harold and the 'Life Bus'.

#### Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening will be on

Wednesday November 14th from 3:30 to 6:00. Please sign up for a slot in the nursery. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

We will also have a 'Book Look' on that morning. During this time you can look at your child's work book with them.

## **IMPORTANT!**

Reception Class applications need to be completed by 15th of January. If you do not apply your child will not have a school place in September. School Tours will be on the 15th November, 6th and 10th December at 9:00. Please let us know if you are interested.

### Did you know...?

The progress children make in this school in Reading, Writing and Maths is WELL ABOVE the national average!

The staff in the nursery are as gualified as possible and have over 100 years experience!

#### **Reminders:**

Bookbags are changed once a week on a Friday.

Mittens are easier for young children, until they can manage the fingers in gloves. Elastic inside their coats prevents them from

being lost.



## **Nursery Staff**

Susan Smart **Donna Shawcross** Gail Toner Amy Lansdown

## How you can help:

Talk to your children about the weather and changes of season.

Please teach your child to be independent with their jackets, scarves, zips, gloves, hats etc.

Please talk to your child about their address and where they live. Notice features nearby such as post boxes, bus stops, shops etc.

Use every chance to count and to notice numbers and shapes.

We would love collections of Autumn materials such as conkers, leaves, small sticks, pine cones etc. Get collecting! Talk with your child about what you find.

Encourage your child to sing the songs on the song sheets at home and teach them to you!



# Curriculum

Attached to the back of this letter is the half term plan which outlines the areas of learning we will be addressing throughout this half term.