

Curriculum Newsletter for Reception Autumn 2 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second half term of 2018. We would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

<u>PE day</u> is <u>Wednesday</u> please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and black plimsoles.

<u>Homework</u>- and <u>reading books</u> go out <u>Thursday</u> and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on the following <u>Tuesday</u>. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time. Our Topic for this half term is 'Traditional Tales'.

Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will continue to learn our letter sounds to read and write short words. We will be concentrating on forming letters correctly and trying to write short captions for stories. We will be reading Traditional stories such as the Gingerbread Man, Goldilocks and the Three Bears and The Three Billy Goats Gruff

In Mathematics we will be learning to name and describe 2d shapes when making firework pictures. We will be measuring and comparing objects by weight, height and capacity. We will be playing dice games to add one more or take one away and to add and subtract numbers. We will continue to follow our class rights and responsibilities. We will be talking about our feelings during circle time and talking about the feelings of characters in stories and how we can help them.

We will be learning new words to describe characters and events in stories. We will be changing our voices to be different characters from stories.

During Expressive Art and Design sessions we will continue to use paint, oil pastels and collage to create characters and scenes from our literacy stories. Our Topic this half term is 'Traditional Tales."

In PE sessions we will be using our body in different ways to play group games and use small balls and bean bags to practice our throwing and catching skills. In Understanding the World we will be learning about the festivals of Divali and Channukah. We will be learning new words to describe how mixtures change when making porridge and baking gingerbread men.

In Jewish Studies we will continue to learn the blessings and songs during Havdallah and Khabbalat Shabbat. We will be learning new songs to sing at our Channukah performance and learning about the Channukah story. In lvrit we will continue to sing songs, count and learn colours.