

# Nursery Newsletter

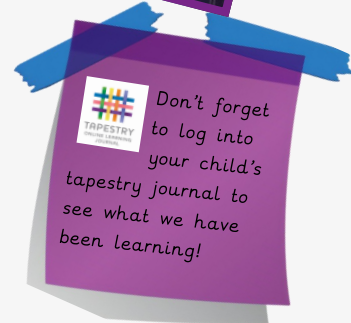
Autumn 2

## Celebrations

I hope you have all had a lovely half term and enjoyed spending time together. I have really enjoyed getting to know all the children in Nursery over the first half term and finding out all about them and what makes them special. We have an exciting half term ahead of us as we continue to learn all about different celebrations. We will be starting off by learning all about bonfire night and fire safety during the first week and move onto finding out about the Hindu festival, Diwali.

As we get closer to the end of term we will be starting to focus our learning around Christmas. The children will also take part in our Foundation Stage Nativity where we will perform lots of Christmas songs for you!

Not forgetting a visit from the 'Elf on the Shelf' that I'm sure will be getting up to lots of mischief!



### This half term I will

- Understand how to be safe around bonfires and fireworks:
- Understand what I need to do if I see a fire that is not safe.
- Be able to name a variety of different colours.
- Notice similarities and differences of between different celebrations.
- Understand that Christmas is a Christian holiday.
- Learn lots of Christmas songs and perform some of these during our Foundation Stage Nativity.
- Roast marshmallows around the campfire.
- Go on autumn walks and notice signs of autumn.
- Take part in lots of fine motor activities to strengthen my hand muscles.
- Learn about road safety when going on a walk to the post box to post our letters to Santa.
- Understand the concept of light and dark when learning about different celebrations.
- Learn about different colours and shapes.

### You can support your child at home by

- Encouraging your child to talk in full sentences rather than using gestures and pointing.
- Looking for signs of autumn. We will be sending home a treasure bag for your child to collect autumnal treasures in.
- Talking about road safety when going on walks.
- Going on a shape hunt around your house and take time to count different quantities,
- making sure they are using shape and number names accurately.
- Talking to your child about what you celebrate as a family.
- Encouraging your child to dress themselves independently, including putting on their own socks, shoes and coat.
- Playing turn taking games including pairs and dominos.
- Reading lots of different books and talking about what you have read.

### Key Information

Bookbags are to be returned to school on Tuesdays and Thursdays, ready for a new library book to be sent home at the end of the day.

Please make sure all of your child's belongings are labelled, including hats, coats, scarves.