


## Reception Newsletter – Autumn 2

### **Welcome**

Welcome to Autumn 2. Our topic this half term is called 'Story Time Magic' based around Traditional stories and modern-day popular stories such as 'The Gruffalo and Stick man'.

### **Phonics**


We are moving forward with our phonics and reading. The children are becoming confident and showing enthusiasm when learning their letter sounds and blending words. 

### **Literacy**


Within our literacy sessions, we will be doing lots of writing based around the stories and the characters. We will learn about the goodies and baddies within the traditional stories.

The children will be encouraged to practise and develop their letter formation.


### **Maths**

The children will be encouraged to further develop their number knowledge, recognition and sorting. We will be learning how to compare different groups of objects, develop an understanding of one more and one less. 


### **Communication and language**

The children will be encouraged to listen carefully to stories and information shared with them. They will be supported to recap on their learning using any new vocabulary. 


### **Personal, social and emotional development**

We will continue to support the children to make positive relationships with both their peers and the adults in Rabbits class. The children will continue to develop an understanding of the school rules as well as the class rules. We will continue to encourage independence. 

### **Physical development**

We will be providing activities to further develop the children's fine motor skills which in turn will help with their letter formation. The children will continue to partake in our PE sessions on a Thursday and Friday. 

### **Understanding the world**

The children will compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. They will be encouraged to understand similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country. 

### **Helping your child learn at home**

Support your child to be independent, putting on and taking off their coats and shoes.

Encourage correct letter formation especially the letters within their names.

Support your children to recognise, sort and count numbers confidently 0-5, 0-10.

Support your child to further develop their love of reading.



### **Skills Builder**

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



### **Rewards**

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



### **Class information**

**Class Teacher:** Mrs Duff

**Teaching Assistants:** Miss Porch and Mrs Richards

Please discourage your children from bringing their own toys to school.

In order to keep books and letters in good condition we ask that all children bring a bag to school every day.

**Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.**

We request that all children bring a named water bottle and a spare set of clothes to school every day.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

## Dates for the diary!



### Autumn 2

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – school reopens for pupils

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Anti-bullying week – Odd Socks Day

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Diwali Workshop

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need Day

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – GAT Training Day

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Visit from Corby Library

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner Day – tbc

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December - EYFS/ KS1 Christmas Performance (am)

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas Performance (pm)

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – KS2 Christmas Carol Concert – 9.30am and 2.30pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – school closes for Christmas

