# EYFS Newsletter

# **Dates for your diary!**

6th November - Inset Day 7th November - Well-being Day 14th November - Basic Skills Drop-in 9-9:25am 15th November - Phonics drop-in 9-9:25am 15th November - Sealife Trust Coffee Morning 26th November - Christmas Fair 12-3pm 29th November - Flu immunisations 12th December - Christmas performance 2:15-3pm 13th December - Christmas performance 3:15-4pm

21st December - Trip to the pantomine 21st December - School finishes for Christmas

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a wonderful half term and are ready for a another great term ahead. Our driver subject will be History and we are very excited to start our new term!

PE and Forest Schools will be on Monday afternoons. PE kits and old shoes/wellies need to be back in school every Monday. Please, can you send your children with jogging bottoms, jumpers and waterproofs for the winter months for Forest Schools.

# A message for parents

# Writing

This half term we are learning: lower case and capital letters Writing CVCs

- Using common exception words in our writing
- Linking graphemes to phonemes to write them down

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# ADVENT 2

## Reading

This half term we are learning:
knows information can be retieved from books
segments the sounds in a CVC to write
re-read books with confidence, matching their phonics knowledge

- Read captions and CVCs
- Read common exception words
- Describes the events and characters of a

<u>known story</u>

## Texts

Sparks in the sky
Little Glow
Shine star Shine
nativity

### Maths

#### **Numerical Pattern**

Recognises and re-orders numbers 0-5 Selects the correct numeral to represent 1-5, then 1-10 objects Begins to recognise the pattern of the counting system (0-9) Compares quantities to 5 and beyond Knowing what is more Begins to use the vocabulary involved in adding and subtracting

(more, add, altogether, take away, less, less than, fewer)

#### Number

Begin to subitise up to 3 Identify some doubling facts to 3

RE

RE in reception this half term is all about who are Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The children will learn all about Mary being told by Angel Gabriel she is going to have a son and call him Jesus.

Reception will also learn about Advent in the wait up to Jesus' birthday. They will learn about the Advent wreath and it will all link to the Nativity and Christmas story.

## UW - The natural World

Explores outside and comments by using some their senses

Begins to make observations of the natural world, plants and animals

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Technologv

Know some technology in society

Know the purpose of some technology

Know to ask for help when using a device

UW - Past and Present

Begin to draw on own experiences to talk about past and present

Begin to talk about lives of people around them

### UW - People, Culture and Communities

Begins to know some similarities and differences between religious and cultural communities

Begins to describe own immediate environment using knowledge from observations

#### PSED

#### Self-regulation

- Understands own actions affect other people eg gets upset/tries to comfort a child they have hurt
- Aware of boundaries set and behavioural expectations in the setting
- Begins to negotiate and solve problems without a physical impulse or heightened emotion

#### Building Relationships

•Talks about own knowledge (familiar to them)

•Can play positively.

#### Managing Self

Shows some understanding for the need for safety when tackling new challenges

•Practices some appropriate safety measures independently To remain on a task for an increasing period of time, linked to interests.

## Expressive art and design

Being imaginative and Expressive Plays alongside other children who are engaged in the same theme Introduces a narrative into their play based on own experiences Plays cooperatively as part of a group to develop and act out a narrative Begins to perform songs and rhymes with others, and expresses themselves using music (Christmas production) Creating with materials Begins to use props and materials to role-play their own experiences Explores a range of simple tools Shows an interest in music

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Forest Schools

This half term the children in reception will be continuing to learn the rules of Forest Schools and enjoying nature arts and crafts.

Listening, Attention and Understanding Able to follow a story with props or pictures Listen and do for a short span (two channelled attention) Responds to simple instructions

Uses language to imagine and recreate roles and experiences in play

Links statements and sticks to main theme/intention Uses talk to organise, sequence and clarify ideas, and events Introduces a storyline or narrative into their play

# **Physical Development**

#### **Fine Motor**

Explore simple tools to effect changes to materials. Begins to use anti clockwise movement and retrace vertical lines.

Handles tools, objects, construction and malleable materials with increasing control.

Begins to form recognisable letters

#### **Gross Motor**

Jumps off an object and lands appropriately. Begins to negotiate space when racing and playing with other children, adjusting speed and changing direction to avoid obstacles.

Explore and practice skills to travels, under, over and through balancing and climbing equipment.

### Communication and Language

Understands humour e.g, in stories

#### Speaking