FS1 Curriculum Overview Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,
The topic the children will be learning about this term is 'Celebrations' such as Bonfire Night, Diwali, Birthdays and Christmas.

BEING IMAGINATIVE
This term our role play in the classroom will represent the home corner.

ART
Children will use different media to create bonfire night pictures and will use clay to create diva lamps. They will have many opportunities throughout the term to explore a variety of materials such as painting, printing and model making.

RE
We will be learning about the Christmas story. We will be visiting Swann Bank Church to take part in the Christmas celebrations on Thursday 19th December.

PE
The children will begin to participate in P.E. lessons in January. This term the children will become familiar with the P.E. hall and meet the P.E. teacher, Mr Pedley. When your child starts P.E. they will need to get dressed independently so please practise fastening buttons and shoes, etc. Please ensure that your child has a fully **labelled** P.E kit ready for January – each child will need a P.E. bag, black shorts/skirts, blue t-shirt/polo shirt and black pumps. If your child does not have the correct P.E. kit they will be unable to join in.

Health & Self-Care
As the weather gets colder please ensure your child has wellingtons, a warm coat, a hat and a pair of gloves in school **(please make sure they are clearly named)** as we regularly access the outdoor area, There are lots of opportunity for riding bikes, scooters and the cars, balancing, sliding and playing ball play outside.

VISITORS INTO SCHOOL
Shooting Stars Entertainments will perform a wonderful pantomime, Cinderella, to the children on Wednesday 18th December. The cost off the performance is £3.00 per child.

HOME LEARNING
We will be sending home a story book for you to share with your child. This will be changed weekly. Please bring your child's book bag into school daily and ensure that you have made a comment about your child's reading in their reading record.

Please note each group's reading day.

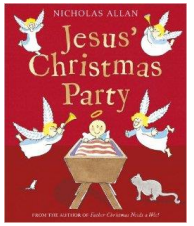
Monday: Giraffes
Tuesday: Elephants
Wednesday: Monkeys
Thursday: Tigers

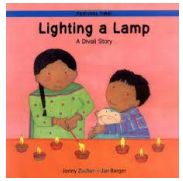
HOMEWORK
Homework will be sent home every Friday. Please ensure this is retuned by the following **Wednesday**, at the latest.
The homework will link to what we have taught during the week and include what we have learnt during phonics and maths. Additionally it will have the rhyme of the week for you to learn with your child.

WORD OF THE WEEK
Each week we will send home key words to link to the following week's topic. Please try to use it at home with your child as this will help your child to familiar with it and also to build up their vocabulary.

WORLD
The children will be learning about the changes in the weather during Autumn and Winter. Please ensure your child is dressed suitable as we will be going outside to experience the rain, frost and the snow.

READING
The children will be reading lots of stories including Kipper's Birthday, Bonfire and A Christmas Story.





Why not borrow a book from your local library to share with your child at home.

MATHEMATICS
We will be introducing the children to the Ten Town number scheme which will focus on number recognition and writing numbers. We are focussing on 2D shapes such as circle, square, triangle, triangle, oval and pentagon. We will also focus on ordering numbers, size and weight.

Future events:
- **Bookstart**: Tigers and Monkeys: Tuesday 5th November
  Giraffes and Elephants: Thursday 7th November
- **Mark making workshop:**
  Giraffes and Elephants: Tuesday 12th November
  Tigers and Monkeys: Wednesday 13th November
- **Phonics workshop**:
  Giraffes and Elephants: Tuesday 19th November
  Tigers and Monkeys: Wednesday 20th November
- **Parents Christmas craft afternoon**: Thursday 28th November
- **Christmas concerts:** Monday 9th December and Tuesday 10th December
- **Christmas Stories in the Nursery**: Thursday 19th December