







Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable half term break. We would like to give you a brief outline of the work your child will be covering this half term. We will focus our work around the books 'Knock Knock, Who's There?' and 'Whatever Next' before looking at a range of Christmas books.

# Communication and Language

We will be looking at different sounds and noises and see if the children can guess (discriminate) the different sound they can hear
We will also be encouraging the children to talk about what they are doing in play.
We will continue to encourage the children to talk in at least short sentences, not giving single word responses.

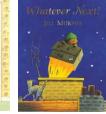
## **Physical Development**

We will be focussing on different ways of moving. We will use a range of one-handed tools including scissors to make snips in paper. Both indoors and out, through a range of media (sweeping brushes, chalk, paintbrushes, pens/pencils etc) the children will draw simple shapes such as circles and lines.

#### **Literacy**

Our focus this half term will be to encourage children to listen carefully to stories. They will be encouraged to join in with repetitive parts of stories and a range of rhymes (especially during Nursery Rhyme week!) When accessing books independently, they will carefully turn the pages in a book. Children will also practise drawing simple shapes such as circles and lines.





#### <u>Maths</u>

The children will work on counting to 10 using our counting rules. We will work on showing numbers in different ways eg. showing 3-- 2 on one hand and 1 on the other. We will introduce Numicon and learn the colours of the pieces.

#### The World

We will talk about lots of different celebrations and festivals that different religions celebrate. This will include; Bonfire Night, Diwali, Remembrance, Odd Socks Day, Antibullying week, Children in Need, Advent, Christmas. We will use the magnets to explore forces in play.

### <u> P.S.E.D</u>

We will be joining in and starting to play with our new friends. We will show awareness of the boundaries in place and will choose what we like to do in Nursery.

## Expressive arts and Design

We will continue our exploration of colour. We will use different media to create pictures in different ways eg. stampers to create patterns and chalks to create space pictures. We will look at different ways to make and create Christmas decorations.

We will act out roles, pretending we have travelled to the moon! We will learn this half terms Key 5 songs.

# Our' Place in 'Our' World.

Children will become aware of key world events by learning about special occasions from around the world and how we celebrate them. Aspiring Entrepreneurs Children will be encouraged to face challenges with a growth mindset and resilience.

#### Healthy and Happy Living

We will be happy to come into Nursery to play with our new friends.

# **Inquisitive Investigators**

As Inquisitive Investigators, we will be answering 'what', 'how' and 'why' questions.

# Important information to remember:

- Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle every day clearly labelled with their name.
- Please ensure your child has a **NAMED** pair of wellington boots in Nursery and a FULL spare change of clothes at all times (including socks)
- Santa will visit his grotto soon (Keep an eye out for further information in Teachers2Parents app/text)
- Our Christmas decoration day will be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. Parents/carers are invited to come and support your child enjoy
  the session and take part in each activity.
- Finally, we would like to remind you we discourage children bringing personal items (toys) to school. If you think your child needs this additional support to remain settled, please speak with a member of staff to build a plan.