Term 2 Newsletter

English -

This term we will be focusing on the stories 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Stick Man'. We will be doing lots of retelling of the stories and adding actions to our words. We will sing rhymes and read other texts to expand our vocabulary and encourage a love of reading. We will also continue to work on our phonics daily in our new smaller groups.

To support at home you can:

- Read picture books to your child
- Sing different nursery rhymes, along with actions
- Practice with the resources in your child'

Maths -

In Maths, we will continue practising subitising (saying the amount without counting) up to 6. We will also be working on our 1:1 correspondence and making sure the children can count out objects accurately. We will be introducing 10 frames and teaching children to quickly recognise amounts up to 10. We will also be learning to compare different amounts using the language 'bigger, smaller, more than, fewer than.'

To support at home you can:

- Ask your children to count out different objects, checking they can touch each object in turn when saying the number.
- Play games such as 'snap'
- Sing counting songs, e.g. '5 little ducks went swimming one day…'

Understanding the world around us

This term, we will learn all about fire safety and Bonfire Night. We will also learn about Remembrance and why we wear poppies. Throughout the term, we will look at seasonal changes and find out about autumn. In RE, we will learn about the Christmas story and how Christians celebrate Christmas. The children will be putting on a Nativity play with the rest of Key Stage 1. We are excited to perform this for you.

Expressive arts and design

In this area of the curriculum, we will continue to develop our gross and fine motor skills. We will be pinching, pulling, poking and pushing playdough and plasticine to manipulate it into different shapes. We will also experiment with different paintbrushes to create various lines.

PSHE

This term, we are focusing on 'Celebrating Difference'. We will be looking at how we are all different and that's what makes us special.

What do we need to remember?

Reading with your child everyday is extremely important for building your child's vocabulary and imagination. Please remember to record all reading in your child's yellow reading diary. This can include Phonics practise and reading for pleasure.

Please remember coats and wellies as the weather begins to get colder and wetter. We use our wellies frequently through the week. Waterproof trousers or a puddle suit are an essential for Forest School!