Southcoates Primary Academy Newsletter

Thursday 12th November, 2026 **Early Years**

Welcome Back!

Last half term everyone did an amazing job settling in and learning all of the classroom routines. The children enjoyed meeting new friends and exploring all of the areas in the classroom. During our theme 'All About Me', they learned about why everyone is special and about different types of families. They also learned all about how we change as we grow. The children recorded their learning through drawing portraits. Everyone enjoyed learning all about the signs of autumn and how to stay warm as the seasons change.

What are we learning about this term?

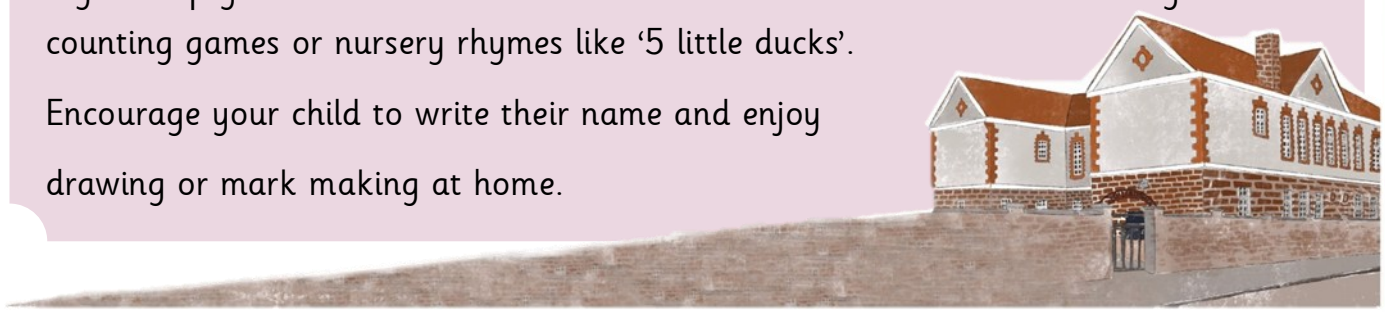
This half term our theme is 'Celebrations'. We will be learning about many different special events including Diwali, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Christmas. We will also be practicing our Nativity to get ready for our performance in December! In PE we will be practicing ball skills. In Science, we will be learning about the signs of winter and doing some investigations linked to light and dark and melting and freezing. We will continue to learn new sounds in phonics and blend these together to read words. In maths we will learn about different 2D shapes and continue developing our knowledge of numbers.

What can I do at home to help my child?

It would really help your child to practice their reading each day, using the QR codes sent home. Please sign their reading records **3 times a week**.

Try to help your child learn their numbers to 10. This could be done through counting games or nursery rhymes like '5 little ducks'.

Encourage your child to write their name and enjoy drawing or mark making at home.



General reminders

- Please make sure you label any of your child's belongings to help us ensure nothing gets lost.
- Please encourage your child to put on and take off their own coats, including learning how to fasten zips and buttons.
- Please send your child in with a named water bottle each day.

Look at what we've been getting up to!







Dates for Your Diary

Monday 2nd November:	School re-opens after half term break
Wednesday 11th November:	Heights and weights check for Reception and Y6
	Remembrance Day (2 minutes silence)
Thursday 12th November:	Flu Vaccinations (for those who were absent)
Friday 13th November:	Children in Need day
Monday 16th November:	Anti-bullying week starts & Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 4th December:	Hull Music Service Rock Ready Concert
Thursday 10th December:	Nativity to parents / carers at St. Aiden's Church
Wednesday 16th December:	Christmas dinner and Christmas party in class
Thursday 17th December:	Magic Carpet Theatre Company in school
Friday 18th December:	Last day of term before Christmas break
	Southcoates' Got Talent
Tuesday 5th January:	School re-opens for spring term