How can you help?

* Talk about any celebrations you have experienced.
* Research different celebrations together.
* Take a trip to the Manchester Christmas Markets. Talk about how we prepare for and celebrate Christmas.
* Go on a Nature Walk and talk about the seasonal changes you can see (colour changes, leaves falling, cold) Add photographs onto your child’s learning journey.
* Practise counting from 1-20 and back from 20-0.
* Practise reading and writing the 100 HFW that are in your child’s reading record.
* Play free educational games online (google phonicsplay and topmarks)
* Practise using scissors at home.
* Look on Pinterest for fine motor activities. These will help your child to hold and control their pencil.
* Read with your child every night. Don’t forget the HFW in their envelope!

**Autumn 2: Seasons & Celebrations**

We will be learning to:

**Mathematics (M)**

* Sequence events/days of the week
* Measuring length and height
* Count objects from a larger group/make estimations
* Add 2 groups of objects together and recognise the + symbol
* Identify 2D shapes and talk about their properties
* Say the number that is 1 less than another number

 **Personal, social and emotional development (PSED)**

* Feel confident and proud of ourselves and others
* Try to solve conflicts ourselves before coming to an adult for help
* Speak to others about celebrations we have experienced
* Speak to others about different cultures and celebrations

**Communication and language (C&L)**

* Follow instructions
* Use words such as “first”, “next” and “then”, when retelling an event
* Answer questions and ask questions about different celebrations



Reminders:

* Please check bags for letters and homework.
* Homework will be sent home on a Friday. Please send it back by Wednesday morning.
* Please add photographs and comments onto your child’s learning, so we can see the learning that they are doing at home.
* Please bring in any empty boxes/containers etc. for children to use in our creative area.
* Don’t forget to bring in your reading book every day and put it in either the red (keep) or green (need a new book) box.

**Literacy (L)**

* Listen to stories and talk about what happens in the beginning, middle and end. This half term we will be focusing on Owl Babies and Stickman.
* Talk about the characters
* Segment (break down a word into sounds) and write words
* Leave finger spaces between words
* Read and write the high frequency words (HFW)

**Understanding the World (KUW)**

* Use laptops
* Recognise and talk about seasonal changes
* Talk about differences between the seasons

**Expressive Art and Design (EAD)**

* Use nature to create artwork
* Take on a role in our play
* Act out how we celebrate different celebrations

**Physical Development (PD)**

* Hold our pencil using a tripod grip
* Make big movements with our arms
* Form our letters correctly by always starting at the top