# Nursery Curriculum Newsletter — Autumn 2 — Light and Dark

# Communication and Language <u>Listening</u>, Attention, Understanding & Speaking

This half term the children will develop their concentration and focus on adult led activities. They will also engage in conversations about how families celebrate Christmas.

# Self-Regulation/Managing self/Building Relationships

The children will play with increasing confidence on their own and with other children. They will feel confident when taken out around the local area and enjoy exploring Brockholes Nature Reserve.

## Physical Development Gross/Fine Motor Skills

This half term the children will clap or stamp to music. They will also enjoy starting to kick, throw, catch a ball and climb apparatus independently. They will also build independently using a range of resources

### Literacy Comprehension/Word Reading/Writing

This half term we will be singing Christmas songs and rhymes in front of a small audience. We will be reading Night Monkey, Day Monkey and repeating the words and phrases. We will enjoy drawing freely, in particular when expressing our ideas about the Christmas Story.

#### Maths

### Number/Numerical patterns

In maths this half term, the children will compare sizes and weights by using gestures and language such as; 'bigger/little/smaller/high/low/tall/heavy'. They will also notice patterns and arrange things in patterns. The children will also start to develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects without having to count them individually (subitising) and recite numbers past 5.

### Phonics

This half term the children will explore instrumental sounds. This will develop children's awareness of sounds made by various instruments and noise makers.

# Understanding the World Past & Present/People, Culture & Communities/The Natural World

The children will use all their senses in hands on exploration of natural materials at Brockholes Nature Reserve. They will collect different Autumnal objects and talk about what they see with a wide vocabulary.

# Expressive Arts and Design Creating/Being Imaginative/Expressive

The children will draw ideas of movement or loud noises to represent fire and fireworks. They will also explore colour and colour mixing using fingers and tools.

#### RE

The children will understand that advent is a time of waiting for the celebration of Christ's birth. They will also be learning about the Christmas Story