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Dear Parents and Carers

This half term our topic in Reception is 'Celebrations'



For this topic we will be exploring Diwali, bonfire night and fireworks, reflecting on our own birthday parties and then completing our topic with our Christmas Story and Nativity show.

Literacy - We will continue our phase 2 Little Wandle sounds and send home the letter sheets weekly for you to see phonemes we are learning. The children have all begun Practice Reading Sessions, reading in groups and developing their skills in blending and segmenting. We will read the same book with them 3x weekly and on a Wednesday this book will be sent home for you to read. Please can you sign your child's diary when you read with them at home and return their book daily in their folder so we can access it. In writing we are hearing initial sounds and building cvc words, segmenting new words and practicing letter formations.

Mathematics - The children will explore 2D shapes and repeating patterns. They will name, sort and discuss properties of their shapes. We will also explore the composition of numbers 1,2,3,4 & 5 counting, recognising, writing and building this into skills of calculating more and less. Subitising is a key element of maths which we will practice daily whereby the children will learn to recognise amounts of objects by sight.

Physical Development - Indoor PE is every Thursday, please ensure your child has their PE kit in school. Outdoor PE and forest school is on a Friday, your child can come to school in their outdoor PE kit. Now the colder days are coming please provide your child with a coat/suit, hat and gloves that they can wear in forest school which can get muddy.

Home learning - Thank you for all the tapestry logs you have shared, we love to look at them and talk in class about them. Also thank you for your Autumn Treasure boxes, these have been wonderful to explore and use in our daily activities. This half term all we ask is that you engage in reading with your child using their phonics books sent home and to practice letter and number formations is also a great help too.

Thank you
Mrs N Farrell
EYFS Phase Leader