



# Bookwell Primary School

## Reception

### Autumn 2 Newsletter



The children worked so hard last half term, the classroom rules and routines are now very well established. We have a very busy half term ahead on the up run to the Christmas holidays. The learning umbrella for this half term is festivals, events and celebrations. We will be exploring Halloween, Diwali, Bonfire night, Remembrance Day and Christmas.

#### Literacy

This half-term in Literacy, we will be exploring a story called "Owl Babies". The children will be developing their comprehension skills as well as questioning and role-play. We will continue our phonics learning, we will learn 4 new phonemes each week and we will work on our blending skills. The children will read 3 times a week working on decoding, prosody and comprehension skills.

#### Maths

In Maths, we will continue to build on our counting skills and number recognition. We will begin to compose numbers up to five, exploring number bonds for numbers up to three. We will also be looking at comparison, exploring 1 more and 1 less than numbers to five. There will be focus on ABAB and A-B-C patterns and we will be exploring shape and measures within the environment.

#### Understanding of the World

We will continue our learning for 'Understanding the World' by exploring festivals and special times that we celebrate. We will also explore festivals and celebrations that people from around the world celebrate.

#### Physical Development

This half term the children will be working with our P.E specialist, Mrs Mason. They will be engaging in a series of gymnastic sessions. The children will be experimenting with moving around, under, through and over small and large equipment. They will also learn different balances and positions such as pike, star, pencil and straddle. P.E sessions will now be on Thursdays.

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We follow continue the jigsaw scheme of work for pshe and the jigsaw piece for this half term is called "celebrating differences". We will engage in circle time sessions identifying differences and understanding what makes our families and us special.

#### Expressive Arts and Design

This half term, we will start by drawing a person; we should see some signs of progression from the start of the term. The children will also engage in art based around celebrations/special events.