



# Bookwell Primary School

## Reception

### Autumn 1 Newsletter



Welcome to our first newsletter of the year. We hope that your child has started to feel settled and part of the Bookwell community. We have been absolutely amazed by how well the children have been coming into school and how they are beginning to settle into the new routines. We are so proud of them all. This newsletter is to share some of the learning that will take place in the first half term, sometimes our plans change slightly and this is often in response to the children and their interests.

#### Literacy

This half-term in Literacy, we will be exploring two new stories- "Where the wild things are" and "Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain" by Verna Aardema. The children will also engage in 'Drawing club', we will learn lots of new vocabulary and we will draw pictures of characters and settings. We will begin our phonics learning, the children will learn 4 new phonemes each week and they will work on their blending skills. We will also begin our reading sessions.

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be building on our counting skills and number recognition. We will ensure that we have a deep understanding of number to 5 including the composition of each number, number bonds and subitising. We will also explore patterns with numbers to 5 and 2D shapes.

#### Understanding of the World

We will begin our learning for 'Understanding the World' by celebrating the similarities and differences between children in the class and discussing how we are all unique. We will also be using our senses to explore the changing seasons.

#### Physical Development

This half term, we will be developing our co-ordination and movements by playing different games in our PE lessons as well as in the outside area. We will also build on our fine motor skills through the use of small equipment and through our daily dough disco sessions. **P.E Day- Friday (Child to come dressed in kit)**

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We follow the jigsaw scheme of work for pshe and the jigsaw piece for this half term is called "Being me in my World". We will engage in circle time sessions exploring feelings, rules, rights and responsibilities.

#### Expressive Arts and Design

We will take our lead from the children's interests but we have some topics and skills that we may explore such as colour mixing and Autumn. The children will also take part in our "Draw a person" activity. This activity will be carried out each half term to show progression.