Autumn 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Kestrel Class

This term, our theme is **"Let's Celebrate!"** We'll begin by learning about Bonfire Night and discovering who Guy Fawkes was**.** We'll then explore Remembrance Day**,** birthdays**,** and Christmas**.** Throughout the term, we'll talk about why people celebrate special occasions and explore the different ways celebrations are enjoyed.

Phonics –We will be learning the sounds; h/ b/ f/ l /j/ /v/ /w/ /ks/y/ /z/ /kw/ /ch//sh/ /th/ng/nk/ai/ /ee/ /igh/ /oa/

Our hard to read and spell words; As, his, he, she, buses, we, me, be, push, was, her, my, you

English – This term, we'll begin by reading 'Pumpkin soup,' focusing on the characters and setting before creating our own versions. We'll then enjoy 'Kipper's Birthday' and finish the term with Stickman. During our Drawing Club sessions, we'll continue to develop our writing skills by creating captions and simple sentences to accompany our drawings.

Maths – This term, we are focusing on numbers 1–5 in detail. We will explore different ways to represent these numbers, as well as look at one more and one less. We will also investigate the composition of each number.

In provision we will be looking at different shapes and how to identify them.

Key Vocabulary – Light, dark, shadow, transparent, translucent, celebration, decoration, invitations, disappear, melt, freezing

Communication and Language – this term we will be listening to stories and recalling the events that happened. We will be listening carefully to the questions asked and respond with relevant answers.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – in lessons we will be focusing on how we are the same or different. Comparing families and homes.

Physical Development – In PE we will develop creating and making shapes with our body through gymnastics and dance.

Understanding the World – We will use torches to explore light and dark, and create our own shadow puppets. We will also be learning about how we have changed and grown over time.

Expressive Arts and Design – in art we will be experimenting with clay to create characters from the Nativity.





