

# Believe ~ Learn ~ Grow

# Autumn Term 2



Dear Hazel Class Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after a relaxing half term break. We hope you have enjoyed the autumnal weather and embraced the seasonal changes. Thank you for your support in helping the children settle into new routines and teachers in term 1. Please find attached a copy of this term's topic web. This gives an outline of the teaching and learning experiences for this term.

### <u>Topic</u>

Our new topic is called "Lost and Found" and has an English focus, with our two texts "Lost and Found" and "KnuffleBunny". We will also focus on the seasonal weather patterns in the United Kingdom in Geography and will continue to develop our understanding of materials in Science.

### **Phonics Screening Check**

We will hold a Phonics Screening Check meeting on <u>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 2.20pm to 2.40pm</u> in Hazel Class. This meeting will be focused on strategies to help your child prepare for the Phonics Screening Check. The check will be held in June 2025.

## **Open Session**

We would like to invite you to an open session in Hazel Class from **<u>2.40pm to 3pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</u>**. We have arranged this to coincide with the Phonics Screening Check information meeting which ends at 2.40pm. The open session is an exciting opportunity for your child to share their learning with you.

### Nativity

We are planning a performance of our Nativity this year on Wednesday 11th December at 1.30pm and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. Dress rehearsal will take place on Monday 9th December at 9.30am. Further information regarding roles and costumes will be sent in the next few weeks.

## <u>PE</u>

PE days remain the same as last term – Monday and Thursday afternoons. With the colder weather approaching, the children can wear green or black jogging bottoms. Long hair must be tied up at all times for safety and hygiene reasons, not just on P.E. days.

### Home Learning

Thank you for your support in working with your child regularly with spellings at home. We will continue to give the children sheets based on the phonics objectives we have covered the week before. Thank you for your support in working on this with your child. We can see the improvements in confidence in the children during our phonics sessions as a result. For fluency to continue to improve in reading, we encourage the children to read on most school nights and again appreciate your support with this.

As a quick checker- our home learning expectations are:

Reading - most school nights.

**Spellings-** practise using strategies such as rainbow writing, chalking, writing in sand, writing spellings in different media.

Maths- Nippy numbers, counting in 2s and verbally counting on and back in 2s.

#### Value

Our school value this term is Trust. These are the aspects of this value we will be focusing on:

Taking someone at their word

**R**elying on someone to support you

**U**nbreakable promises

Showing that you can be trustworthy

Treasuring good friends

Many thanks again for your continued support with your child's learning journey through Year 1.

If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Hazel Class team or the school office.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs Jones, Mrs Kinnersley, Miss Grieve and Miss Traynor