Year R
Autumn 2

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a lovely half term break. Please find below information about your child's learning for this half term and how you can support them with this.
Many thanks: Mrs Hooley, Mrs Rice, Mrs Howell, Mrs Barnett, Mrs Lelliott, Mrs Ford, Mrs Riley, Miss Tyler, Miss Goodson, Mrs Reed, Mrs Hall and Mrs Ayres.

Mighty oaks from tiny acorns grow
Padnell Infant School

Reminders

PE - Wednesday
Forest Schools – Tuesday pm
Library - Thursday

Key Dates

10th Nov: Year R visit to St Wilfrid's Church
9th Dec: Rabbits nativity (pm)
10th Dec: Squirrels nativity (am) and Foxes nativity (pm)

G – Help with chores around the house
R – Take your coat on, off and do up independently
O – Try something new to eat
W – Using sound cards to make words

Literacy

We are now nearing the end of Level 2 of the phonics scheme. We will be practising and applying our phonics skills using our learnt sounds for the rest of the term. Children will use their robot phonic arm to sound out and blend CVC words as well as learning new tricky words by sight.

Maths

The children will look at numbers up to 5 focusing on correctly forming, comparing, and representing them in different ways. We will also look at 2D shapes with up to 4 sides and use some positional language.

Expressive Arts & Design

The children will continue to work collaboratively to explore a variety of different crafts and use these to express their ideas. They will continue to listen attentively to, and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses. They will engage in music making and dance both in groups and on their own.

Understanding the World

The children will recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways by looking at a variety of winter festivals including Christmas and Diwali. They will also explore the effect of the changing seasons during their Forest School sessions.

Physical Development

The children will have many opportunities to continue to develop their gross motor skills in the outdoor environment using lots of different equipment including: play equipment, bikes and building equipment. They will develop a more fluent style of moving with control and grace. The children will continue to develop the foundations of a handwriting style that is accurate and efficient, and we will spend time each week working on fine motor skills to help them achieve this.

Communication & Language

This half term children will continue to engage in conversations with adults and their new friends, enabling them to strengthen positive relationships. They will develop their skills in listening to each other, particularly with waiting their turn and letting others talk while they listen. We will be providing opportunities for children to extend their vocabulary through storytelling and their own imaginative play. Adults will use also be using questioning to check understanding.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children are now expected to follow the school rules in both the inside and outside learning areas. They will continue to develop their sense of responsibility and membership of our school community. They will be encouraged to talk with others to resolve conflicts and talk about their feelings relating them to the zones of regulation. In addition to this, we will consider the feelings of others, and how we can look at things from another perspective. We are focusing on building their independent skills to enable them to show resilience and perseverance in the face of a challenge.

Thank you for your ongoing support.