

### Mathematics

In Maths this term we will practise partitioning numbers into tens and units, to help us recognise the value of each number. We will use these skills to help us order numbers from smallest to largest. We will also practise doubling numbers and finding half of a number by sharing an amount into two groups. We are going to work on getting even quicker at recalling number bonds and using these facts to help us with addition and subtraction. We will also carry out some number investigations involving addition. **Home learning ideas:** Practise reciting number bonds to 10 (2 numbers that add together to make 10) and writing numbers the right way around.

### Italian

With Mrs Ward this term, we will be revising all the parts of the body through songs and activities. We will also count to 10 and revise the days of the week and the four seasons.

### Topic – Seasonal Change and Weather

For our science topic this term, the children will be learning about the four seasons and the weather associated with each season. They will be observing the weather on a daily basis and recording temperature and rainfall. We will collect and evaluate the data and transfer it into bar graphs and tables. We will also look at various countries in the world and compare the weather we have in England to the weather of other countries. Due to the nature of this topic, we will continue to observe the changes in the seasons and weather throughout the year on an ongoing basis.

### Religious Education – Special People

#### - The Christmas Story

In Religious Education this term we will focus on special people in the Church and the important jobs they have. We will also focus on the Christmas story to remember that Jesus was born on Christmas day and to think about the joy of a new baby being born. We will discuss how Mary and Joseph played an important role in Jesus' life by bringing him up in a loving environment.

# Seasonal Change and Weather

### Music

Our music focus for this term will be mainly based around the Nativity, practising hymns and songs. We will also incorporate percussion instruments into our weather topic, to try and create music to suited to different types of weather.

### SMSC

During anti-bullying week, we will discuss what it means to be a good friend and how we can help other people who are in trouble. We will also learn about how different religions worship different Gods and learn about some of their festivals such as the Hindu festival of Diwali.

### British Values

Whilst learning about Diwali, we will focus on having a mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs to us.

### English

For English this term, we begin by reading a story about Plop—the owl who was afraid of the dark. This introduces us to the topics of autumn and nocturnal animals. The children will be learning about barn owls and writing descriptions and facts about them. Then we will learn about the festival of Diwali and the story of Rama and Sita. The children will use puppets to act out the story and retell the story in their books. We will extend our learning of other cultures by reading and writing about a story from India called 'The blue jackal.' This term, we continue to focus on the key elements to make clear sentences—especially focusing on full stops, capital letters, using lead-ins for letters and improving our writing by extending sentences and beginning our sentences in different ways. Before Christmas, we will practise following and creating our own instructions to make Christmas decorations. **Home learning ideas:** Continue to read regularly at home and practise spellings. Children could also practise handwriting with the cursive script (copies available from Miss Hutchings).

### Creative Curriculum

For art this term, we will incorporate our autumn topic into our sketching and sketch leaves, pine cones and some animals we see at this time of year. We will also be using clay to make our own diya lamps for when we learn about Diwali. We will also be getting creative making Christmas cards and calendars!

### Physical Education

Our PE this term will be on Wednesdays and Fridays where possible. Our focus this term will be dance, where we will incorporate our topic of weather and use weather sounds and music as a stimulus for movement.