



## FORM TEACHER'S TERMLY WELCOME NEWSLETTER

### Reception: Spring Half-Term 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed some relaxing time together at home. We are very excited about this half-term's new topic; 'Dear Fairy Godmother' and can't wait to try to help her to solve lots of problems and dilemmas to do with the Traditional Tale characters.

We have been thinking about the Princess from 'The Frog Prince' and believe she may have low self-esteem! We want to help her to believe in herself and look at her strengths. We are going to the same in this half-term's Show and Tell! We would like your daughter to think of something that makes her special, for example learning a new skill, ie riding a bike without stabilizers, Gymnastics, learning to play an instrument or something that makes her unique, ie love of cooking, being creative or performing arts. Your daughter could bring in something to show to her friends, send in a film clip for us to watch on the Smartboard or simply tell us about her talents! Please see the dates below:

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Thea
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Sofia
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Olive
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Megan
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Lottie
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	Livvy
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	Isabelle
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Isabella
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Iona
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Brooke
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Annie
<b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Annabel
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Alexa

During this half-term, we will be solving problems for Goldilocks and the Three Bears for example 'How can the bears cool their porridge down?' We will be using the story of The Gingerbread Man to solve lots of difficult questions, such as 'What would happen to the Gingerbread Man if he fell into the water?' We will be cooking with different ingredients and watching what happens to them during heating, cooling, melting and dissolving. We will be using the story of The Frog Prince to explore floating and sinking. We will be using the story of Little Red Riding Hood and Hansel and Gretel to learn more about map making. We will also be having a 'Superhero' week where we will thinking about freezing, melting and which superpower we would like!

In Physical Development we will be continuing to develop our skipping skills during Skipping Workshop and focusing on our fine motor skills during short, snappy and fun daily sessions to improve our letter formation. In Mathematics, we will be focusing on Shape, Space and Measures, including length, weight, money, 3D shapes, time, directional and positional language. We will also be focusing on Numbers, including ordinal numbers, word problems including subtraction and addition.

Please keep an eye on your Calendar of Events, interactive calendar on the school website and notices displayed on the EYFS notice board.

*Dates for your diary for next half-term –*

<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Nursery and Reception Parents' Forum
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Superhero Perform Drama Workshop
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Parent Consultation Afternoon and Evening
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	EYFS Celebration of Work 8.20-8.40am
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Class Assembly to Parents at 9am
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February</b>	Half-Term Holiday

If your daughter has anything topic related at home, such as a book, that she would like to bring in to share with the class, please feel free to do so.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask one of the Reception team.

Many thanks,

Mrs Bishop, Mrs Kendall, Miss Smith and Mrs Houten