



Dear parents,

What a fantastic first half term we have had in Wisteria Class! The children have settled in so well have and been learning how to explore the environment together. We had our first outing to the post box which was a huge success! We look forward to many more!

This term we will be focusing on the topic “Light and Dark.”

During this topic, we will be exploring the contrasts between light and dark, looking closely at what happens at night time – night jobs, nocturnal animals and the night sky. In addition, we will be exploring lights in the night particularly looking at fireworks, stars and Christmas lights.

Towards the end of this term, we will be enjoying a whole school outing to the Pantomime at The Corn Exchange, seeing if we can find any Christmas lights on our way!

**Dates for your diary this term**

W/C 1 <sup>st</sup> November	4 <sup>th</sup> November outing to The Library
W/C 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Reflection
W/C 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Sources of light
W/C 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Nocturnal animals
W/C 29 <sup>th</sup> November	30 <sup>th</sup> November outing to the Pantomime
W/C 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day Bring in £1 and wear a Christmas Jumper
W/C 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Christmas Party Dress up in your Christmas outfits!

Look forward to seeing you this term,

Yours faithfully,

Miss N Hipgrave  
EYFS Teacher.

# Autumn Term 2 in Reception



## Maths

In maths, we will start looking at numerals and their representations, starting with 1, 2 and 3, discussing how we can make and write these numbers, before moving on to looking at shapes and developing our spatial awareness. In December, we will start to look at numbers 4 and 5, exploring the concept of one more and one less.

## Literacy

During our literacy lessons, we will continue with the Write Dance, developing our large and fine motor skills to help us become effective writers. We will continue our phonics scheme of work and start having phonetically decodable words in our reading books. We will start our rhyme time sessions with a focus on a weekly poem/song, which by January/ February we will be able to perform to you.

## Science

This term, we will be undertaking a number of science experiments to develop the children's exploration and prediction skills. We will discuss what they think will happen and reflect on whether they were correct.

## PSHE

In PSHE this term, we will be looking at celebrating our differences. We will explore how to involve others in our play and how to solve problems. We will be looking at kind words and how to give compliments.

## PE

The children will learn all about jumping, rolling and balancing. They will learn to perform different types of jumps and balances on the floor and on different gymnastics equipment. They will also learn different types of rolls, which they will practise and perform in the gymnastic sequences they create.

## Art

This term the pupils will investigate digital art work through taking photos using a variety of different resources (digital camera, iPad, polaroid.) They will look at the work of Ansel Adams gaining an understanding of why photos in the past were black and white before recreating these images using black and white collaging.

## RE

During RE, we will start to look at particular celebrations this term (Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas.) We will develop our understanding of what makes us unique as well as our respect for other people's beliefs. During our topic of Christmas, we will look closely at what Christmas is and what is meant by reincarnation.

## Geography

During our walk to the Pantomime and Library, we will continue our exploration of our local environment drawing and creating maps based on our experiences and previous knowledge.