

## **Speenhamland School**



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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic first half term we have had in Reception! The children have settled 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 'Traditional Tales and Celebrations'. During this topic, we will be focusing on a variety of traditional stories, looking at sequencing them and beginning to write simple phrases.

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. We are also very excited to perform our Christmas songs in the hall on 6<sup>th</sup> December.

#### Dates for your diary this term

Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Outing to the Pantomime
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas songs and story time

Look forward to seeing you this term,

Yours faithfully,

Miss G Harrison EYFS Lead











# Autumn Term 2 in Reception



## **Maths**

In Maths this term, we will be continuing to learn about comparing amounts looking at which has more, fewer and which are equal. Afterwards, we will move on to learning about parts and whole, investigating the composition of different numbers.

#### Literacy

During our literacy lessons we will focus on Fantastic Foundations, where children have a focus book for the week. Children will explore a few pages at a time, undertaking immersive sessions to promote discussion before writing simple words and phrases based on the story.

### **Physical Development (PE)**

We will begin our PE lessons, joining in with team games. We will learn about turn taking and working together as part of a team.

## **Expressive Arts and Design (Art)**

We will be focusing on role play and acting out different parts of a story. The children will be learning songs and making decorations for our Christmas events.

#### **Understanding the World (History)**

In our Community Time, we will be looking at Remembrance Day and exploring why we wear poppies.

## **Understanding the World (RE)**

We will look at different celebrations this term, including Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas. We will develop our understanding of what makes us unique as well as respecting other people's beliefs. During our topic on Christmas, we will look closely at the meaning of Christmas and the Nativity story.

## **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.

### <u>Understanding the World (Geography)</u>

During our walk to the Pantomime, we will continue our exploration of our local environment. We will draw and create maps based on our experiences and previous knowledge.

