



## Literacy



### Topics to be covered this term include:

We look forward to daily focused phonics sessions, developing the children's knowledge of sounds in words and matching sounds to letters. We will be name writing and forming letters. Your child/children will be involved in a variety of speaking and listening activities to increase these skills and develop their confidence. We will be sharing a range of stories. **How you can help** - Share books together, sing the alphabet and rhymes, explore letter names and sounds, enjoying speaking and listening by asking your child/children what they are learning at school.

## Maths



Our learning will cover work on investigating numbers in our inside and outside area. We will have focused activities on number recognition and counting and your child/children will be encouraged to match objects to numerals. We will be learning to form numbers using, sand, water, pens, pencils, paint, playdough and in other child initiated, creative ways. Later in the term we will explore shapes in the environment and create pictures and models with two and three-dimensional shapes.

**How you can help** - Counting, mathematical songs and rhymes, exploring numbers in the environment. Exploring shapes in the environment.

## Gold Class - Autumn Newsletter

Welcome to Gold Class and to our exciting Autumn term- we hope that you find this a helpful overview of your child's learning this term. If there are any aspects of your child's learning that you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to speak to us.

We look forward to your continued support.

Mrs Norris, Miss Diamond and Ms Banfield

### Topic work - topics this term will include:

#### Stories by Julia Donaldson

- \*A Squash and a Squeeze
- \*The Gruffalo and The Gruffalo's Child
- \*Stickman
- \*Room on a Broom

#### Celebrations and Festivals

- \*Fireworks
- \*Diwali
- \*Hanukkah
- \*Christmas
- \* The children will also have weekly PSHE, Values, and Music sessions.

**Children will enjoy adding their own topic ideas!**

## PE



It is essential that children are well equipped for this important and fun part of our curriculum. Children should have an outdoor and indoor PE kit. Many of our PE activities are held outdoors so children are encouraged to bring warm clothing (e.g. jogging/tracksuit trousers). Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school at all times. PE is held on Fridays.

**Uniform** - Please ensure that **all** uniform and coats are named. If your child accidentally takes another child's clothing home, please return it to school as soon as possible.

**Homework** - In Gold class, we value highly the excitement and pleasure of sharing books and stories- especially in partnership with parents. We encourage regular reading with your child/children at home. We hope you will find that reading regularly with your child/children is both rewarding and enjoyable. We will soon provide your child with a home reading book and phonics cards to support home learning. Your child will have the opportunity to participate in our half-term creative challenge!

