



St Mary Abbots School

Reception Curriculum Newsletter – Autumn 2

Dear Reception,

We hope you've had a fantastic break after such a busy first half term at school! We are so excited to welcome you back for another fun-filled term with lots of new learning to explore.

This half term our theme is 'Sparkle and Shine' as we learn about several different celebrations around the world and why 'light' is so important, especially at this time of year. Some of the celebrations we will be learning about are Bonfire Night, Diwali and Hanukkah. We are excited to share what we have planned and immerse ourselves in the festivities.

We will be reading a range of fiction and non-fiction books including Little Glow by Katie Sahota, Firework Poem by James Carter and Diwali – Celebrate the World. In Maths we will be investigating number bonds to 5, looking more in-depth at 2D shapes and time.

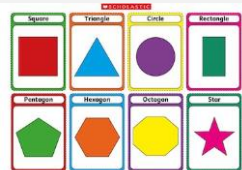
Best wishes,

Miss James and Patty

Homework and Reading Books

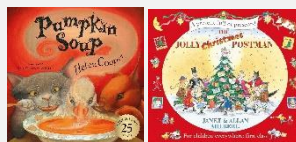
Homework is sent out via Tapestry on a Friday. Your child's book will be changed once a week, you should have received a slip with the changing day – please let Miss James know if you are unsure.

Maths



We will be learning about different representations of numbers within 5 and the composition of 5. We will be learning about time and sequencing daily events and routines as well as exploring 2D shapes and their properties.

Literacy



In Literacy this half term, we will be developing further the skills we learnt last half term. We will be learning how to write instructions for a recipe, letters and lists. We will be learning about onomatopoeia words and adjectives to describe fireworks.

Our Curriculum Topics

Understanding the World
Celebrations and Cooking

Religious Education

Why is Christmas special for Christians?

Music

Timbre, pulse and group songs

Physical Education

Movement Development & Ball skills

Art & DT

Exploring different materials

PSHE

Valuing Differences

Important Dates and Routines

PE Lessons will take place every Thursday

Please bring PE kits in on a Monday.

Parent's Evening

Week Beginning 27th November

Nativity

Tuesday 19th December 1.30pm

The Christian value for this half term is:

Peace