

# Mice Class Newsletter

Friday 8th November 2024

## What will be happening this term?

**In Personal, Social and Emotional Development...** Our focus this term is Celebrating Difference and this week we looked at our uniqueness

**Physical Development ...** PE will be taught by Mrs Horton on a Tuesday and Friday and the children will be participating in tag rugby this term

Each Wednesday the children will have a bikes and trikes session on the big playground in the afternoon. There will be other opportunities during the week for the children to develop their fine and gross motor skills including on the trim trail and through our sensory circuits. Each morning the children complete fine motor skills as part of their early work.

**Communication and Language/ Literacy ...** Our book for Term 2 is So Much by Trish Cooke and we will have planned activities linked to this book. Each day the children will be listening to stories as part of a group and sharing ideas and responses. Throughout our provision adults will be modelling language and how to be a good listener. There will be lots of opportunities to build fine motor skills for writing and recognising and writing names

**RE—**This term we will be thinking about the very first Christmas and learning songs for our Nativity

**Phonics—** We will continue daily phonics and continue to rehearse oral blending and segmenting as well as daily spelling.

**Understanding the World—**We will be thinking about Night and day and nocturnal animals as well as finding out about Diwali and Bonfire Night. We will then enjoy lots of Christmas activities.

**Expressive art & design—**using colour to produce firework pictures, learning songs, making salt dough stars and making and decorating our very own Christmas cakes.

**Muddy Mondays—**Each Monday the children will spend the afternoon in our outdoor learning environment - digging, using tools and growing plants in the Polytunnel, taking part in scavenger hunts, exploring the school grounds and learning about fire safety

## Reminders & Messages

Children should come to school in PE kit on Tuesdays and Fridays. They do not need to bring uniform.

Please remember water bottles. Your child will always be offered milk and fruit at snack time in the morning but they are welcome to bring their own snack in too.

Stay and play session for 0—4 year olds next Wednesday. 1.30pm—3pm

Work on the Wall: Freya for her fabulous picture of the teachers at school

Headteacher award: Alyssa for showing kindness, respect and perseverance