



# Robyn's Class Newsletter



## Sept-Oct



### SEPTEMBER REVIEW

**Welcome back!** We hope you had a lovely summer break and are looking forward to another exciting year ahead. This year your staff team consists of Robyn Dunwoody (class teacher) and three lovely CA's Ashley Rosson, Laura McCreary and Heather McKenzie. We are happy to say everyone is settling back into the school routine and getting to know the new staff members and classmates really well 😊

Our overall theme this year is **'It's a Wonderful World'** with the first term focusing on **'The World Around Me!'** We have already had an exciting start to the year, learning about our bodies, birthdays, our family and pets and our gender. We have enjoyed a range of stories such as 'Marvelous Me', 'Chomp Goes to School', 'Kippers Birthday' and 'Owl Babies'- We love playing 'teachers' and reading these familiar stories to each other at goodbye time!

In Numeracy we enjoyed investigating how tall we are then measuring our friends and figuring out who is the tallest/smallest as well as the oldest/youngest in the class. In Topic work we have been developing our body awareness- naming different parts of our bodies and learning what they are used for through a range of physical activities and singing lots of action songs ('The Skeleton Dance' being a firm favorite!)

This term we have made the most of the dry weather working on our balancing skills in Fire Engine Playground and our core body movements on our playground equipment and group games such as 'the bean game'. We have also been developing our mathematical language in the sand and water area by filling and emptying buckets and exploring which objects float/sink in our giant water tubs!

### OCTOBER PREVIEW

October has some exciting topics in store for us including: **'People who help me,' Harvest** and **Halloween** whilst exploring all things **orange** and learning about **Autumn!**

This month we will get to develop our functional language through a variety of role play scenarios: vets, doctor surgery, police/fire station and a harvest shop. We will be able to develop our sensory awareness through topical sensory trays and art activities such as orange play dough, lentils, jelly, harvest vegetables and crunchy autumn leaves.

We are looking forward to develop our topical expressive/receptive language and Makaton signs as we read 'Room on the Broom' and engage in lots of spooky topical activities.

#### HOME LEARNING LINKS

*Please find below some suggestions for consolidating and extending learning*

- Make a face collage, you could use wool, fabric and scrap paper or even food!
- My body - talk about the names and uses of body parts and sing lots of body movement songs - check out Super Simple Songs on You Tube.
- Growing up & families - watch Mr Tumble 'Something Special- Families' online and practice Family Makaton signs then look at photos of people and pets who live in your house, how have they changed from a baby to an adult?
- Try tasting some **orange** food to go along with our colour of the month—orange jelly, carrots, cheese, Wotsits, oranges.
- Go an autumn walk- collect some crunchy leaves and conkers and explore the different colours, smells and textures
- Carve a pumpkin

#### Important Dates

- Horse Riding- **5<sup>th</sup> Oct**
- Annual Reviews- **26<sup>th</sup> Oct**
- Halloween Disco -**25<sup>th</sup> Oct**
- Half term holiday - **29<sup>th</sup> Oct**

