



## Autumn 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to a new academic year and a revamped classroom with a new interactive whiteboard, which is going to be used not only as a teaching tool but also as a learning tool by the children!

As the weeks will unroll we will take on **'Super Active Learners'** challenges: asking questions, observing and explaining what we see; thinking hard for ourselves; exploring ways to learn best, listening to opinions and discussing ideas and learning that to be wrong or to make mistakes is part of making progress.

### Our topics this term include:

- English- Stories with recurring language (The Gruffalo); Writing and performing a play; Recounts; Instructions; Limericks; Calligrams; Expanded noun phrases; apostrophe to mark missing letters and possession; capital letters and full stops to demarcate sentences; types of sentences; past and present tense, progressive verbs; commas in a list; adverbs.
- Maths- Number and Place Value; addition and subtraction; length; multiplication and division; Properties of shapes.
- Science- Use of everyday materials (linked to the History topic); Animal including humans
- History- The Great Fire of London; Tudors
- Geography – European countries, flags, Christmas traditions
- Computing – Coding
- PE- Team games; Dance; Athletics
- RE – What is a Christian/a Jew?; Hanukah; Christmas
- Personal, Social and Health Education – Health & Wellbeing
- Art- Tudor portraits
- DT- Baking bread
- Music with Mr Corker
- MFL - songs; rhymes and stories

**Homework** will be given out on Fridays to be returned the following Friday. As usual, children are expected to read every day with an adult at home, talk about what they are reading and practise their arithmetic skills. This will be of great help towards their progress.

Do not hesitate to come and see me (preferably after school) should you have any concerns or queries.

Kind regards,

Mrs Weston,