



## It's Party Time!

Welcome back! We hope that you all enjoyed the half term break and are feeling rested and ready for this term. Can you believe we are already planning our Christmas activities? This term we are focusing on celebrations and celebrating a wide range of festivals and events - we will be learning about Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Thanksgiving and Christmas. We will also be thinking about Anti-bullying week and Children In Need – it's a busy term! As always, our door is always open if you have any worries or just want to ask us a question.

Mrs Boswell and Mrs Bell 😊

### Phonics

We are continuing with our Phonics teaching – the children are now in 2 groups across the year group for more focused teaching. They are all enjoying finding letters they have learnt wherever they go! We are also placing a lot of emphasis on 'Fred Talk' as well as reading and writing CVC words (Consonant-Vowel-Consonant) such as dog, pig, hat, tug etc. Homework is still being sent home daily, please return it to school as your child will receive house points for their efforts 😊

### Diary Dates

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need (Non uniform day)

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> - Fri 19<sup>th</sup> November – Anti bullying week

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – End of Term 2

### Christmas

Your children will all be taking part in a lovely Christmassy Nativity – please check Tapestry regularly for more details about how you can watch it and what costumes your child will need! We will be holding a Christmas party and singing to the elderly in Tetbury (hopefully). We are hoping that our Elves might visit us again this year too!

### Routines

Focused teaching of PE will be on a Wednesday. Please make sure ALL PE kit is named and kept in school.

Children will need their wellies and a suitable coat at school every day as we play on the field in all weathers.

Your child will bring home 3 reading books at a time plus a free choice picture book. Reading books should be in school daily and will be changed once a week. We will change books that have been read at home so please make sure you record in the yellow reading record. Please hear your child read at home at least 3 times a week to support their learning at school.

Our Christian Value this term is "Caring". In class we will be caring for each other and embracing our differences.

Our 'Den day' is a Friday – please send your child's Den book in each week so they can swap it for a new one 😊