HARRIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception Autumn 2 Curriculum Newsletter

We hope you've all had a lovely half term. This half term is one of our busiest, with lots to look forward to! Preparations are already underway for our Nativity. Details of costumes needed will be sent out in due course. Below you will find an outline of our curriculum for this half term. I am looking forward to catching up with you all at our very first Parents' Evening of the academic year. As always, if you have anything you wish to discuss, please do not hesitate to catch me at the door or contact me via email: c.livesey@harris.lancs.sch.uk. Many thanks, Mrs Livesey

Communication & Language

We will be building confidence to share and offer our own ideas as well as offering ideas in response to group work.

We will be recapping our 'Wow Vocabulary' from last half term and attempt to apply the vocabulary when speaking.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

This half term we will be focusing on the topic 'Valuing Difference'. We will look at how we are similar and how we are different. We will share how we can be a kind and caring friend.

In our *My Happy Mind* module, we will be focusing on our 'Celebrate' topic – looking at our character strengths and what makes us unique.

Physical Development

We will work on our fine and gross motor skills in continuous provision daily.

In PE, we will continue to practise getting ready for P.E and how to look after our belongings. Mr Ridge (P.E teacher) will be teaching us different ways of travelling (moving), climbing up and down apparatus and rolling a ball accurately.

Literacy

We will continue working through Phase 2 phonics, applying our knowledge of segmenting to spell and blending to read, along with continuing to recognise our Phase 2 tricky words.

Maths

We will deepen our understanding of numbers 6 – 10. We will also begin to understand positional language, money and simple addition and subtraction.

Understanding the World

We will be looking at the changing seasons by discovering how Autumn has changed our school grounds. We will then explore the Nativity story and begin to practise our Nativity play!

Expressive Art & Design

This half term, we will be creating firework art and explore different ways to create firework patterns on our paper. We will also be creating an autumnal tree, thinking of colours and where we will place the leaves on our pictures.

Reminders

What to bring – Please can all children bring a water bottle, bag and coat to school each day.

Water Bottles – Water bottles **must** be named. Children often have the same/similar bottles, which makes identifying their own bottle difficult.

Book Bags – Please can you ensure your child brings their Harris book bag to school every day. This must be clearly labelled with their name.

Spare Clothes – If you think your child is likely to have some toileting accidents, please send a set of spare named clothes in their bag each day.

PE – PE is on Thursday mornings. Please ensure your child's P.E kit is in school. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered up. Please name your child's PE kit and trainers.

Wellies and Waterproofs – The children are invited to bring in a pair of wellies, which will remain in school. You are also welcome to send in a set of waterproofs for your child. Please ensure you have named your child's wellies and waterproofs.

Fruit and Milk – If your child would like milk at snack time and you have not already done so, please sign up to Cool Milk (https://coolmilk.com/parents/) to ensure your child is on our milk list. We have various fruit on offer at snack time but your child is also welcome to bring one small snack from home. The snack must be healthy and must **NOT** contain nuts.

Names – *Please remember to write/stick your child's name on all their belongings, including water bottles, shoes and book bags. Children can become upset when they cannot find their own belongings and all the jumpers/cardigans look the same!*