



EYFS Newsletter

Autumn 2—2025/2026

Notices and Reminders

- All clothes to be named
- Water in water bottles



Communication and Language

In Communication and Language this half term, the children will be learning what a question is and how to answer it in a full sentence. They will be learning how to follow two-step instructions consistently. They will also be taught how to perform to others by learning an unfamiliar nursery rhyme and a variety of Christmas songs.



Physical Development

In fine motor this half term, the children will be focusing on making anti-clockwise movements whilst mark making and drawing. They will begin to write their own name and taught letters. They will also be consolidating scissor skills and begin to cut straight lines and zig zags.

In P.E lessons, the children will be focusing on balance. They will be travelling in different ways using their knowledge of jumping and then freezing in different balance poses to consolidate their balance.

Key dates

Monday 3rd November - INSET Day

Thursday 20th November – Flu Vaccinations

Friday 28th November – HLSA Non-Uniform Day

Friday 5th December - Christmas Jumper Friday
(Children may wear a festive jumper instead of their usual school jumper or cardigan)

Saturday 6th December – HLSA Christmas Fair

Thursday 11th December (9.15am) - YR Nativity to parents

Friday 12th December – Christmas Jumper Friday

Monday 15th December – Christmas Charity Run for Phyllis Tuckwell

Wednesday 17th December – Christmas Lunch

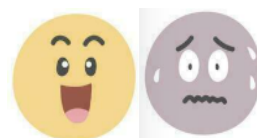
Thursday 18th December (2:30pm) – End of term music concert (Mr Dancer)

Friday 19th December – Christmas Jumper Friday

Friday 19th December - Last Day of Term

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

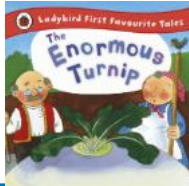
This half term the children will continue to think about emotions particularly looking at scared and excited. They will think about what makes a good friend and how this can be put into practice in the classroom. They will find out about dressing for the weather and learn about how to do zips and buttons independently.



Literacy

The children will continue to practise and embed the phonic sounds that they have learnt so far and begin to learn digraphs (two letters that make one sound e.g. sh, ch).

The children will be exploring traditional tales this half term. They will learn the stories through actions and text maps. The children will be using their phonic knowledge to write labels and captions.



Mathematics

This term, the children will be understanding the composition of numbers to five. In their lessons they will be using different mathematical objects and resources to help them represent these numbers. They will also be exploring and naming 2D shapes and seeing if they can identify shapes in their Reception environment!



Understanding the World

This half term, the children will learn about Guy Fawkes and discuss safe ways to enjoy fireworks and bonfires. They will explore the meaning of Remembrance Day; why we wear poppies and how we honour those who served. The children will observe seasonal changes through a winter walk and activities and compare this with autumn. They will learn why Christmas is special and how it's celebrated in different ways.



Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be diving into traditional tales and bringing them to life through drama, using props to help them act it out. The children will also develop an understanding of good hygiene and safety while exploring peeling, chopping and grating different vegetables. Towards the end of term, the children will be learning Christmas songs and using their performance skills to put on Christmas shows.



Homework

- Reading daily- ELS book
- Phonics- learning of sounds
- Reading for pleasure- story sack activity



Suggested books for reading

