# Foundation Stage Newsletter Term 2 2026
# Class 1 and 2

Welcome back to another exciting term in Foundation Stage!
We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned as we move through the autumn season and into Christmas.

Diary Dates;

**Monday 2nd November**
Flu Immunisation

**Tuesday 3rd -10th November 2026**
Book Fair

**Friday 13th November**
Children in Need
(Please wear spotty clothing)

**Thursday 26th November at 3pm**
Story time in the classroom

**Saturday 5th December 2026**
Christmas Fair

**Thursday 10th December at 2pm**
Nativity Performance for Parents

**Friday 18th December**
Last day of term

**Autumn and Celebrations**
We will begin the term learning about Bonfire Night, Diwali, Remembrance Day and Children in Need. The children will explore different celebrations through creative activities including firework art, Diwali cards, Rangoli patterns and diva lamps. We will also learn about keeping safe around fireworks.

**Journeys**
During our Journeys topic, we will enjoy stories such as *The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse*, *Little Red Riding Hood* and *The Jolly Postman*. Children will learn about maps, different places and how people travel.

**Christmas**

Towards the end of term, our focus will turn to Christmas. We will be learning the Nativity story, creating Christmas decorations, cards and calendars, visiting the post box and preparing for our Nativity performances.

Story Times in the classroom

We would love to invite parents and carers to join us for a special Story Time session in the classroom. This is a wonderful opportunity to share a story alongside your child, listen to their class teacher read, and celebrate the joy of reading together.

**Winter Clothing**
As the weather becomes colder, please ensure your child comes to school with:

- A warm coat
- Hat, scarf and gloves where appropriate
- Clearly named clothing and belongings

**Wellies**
Please continue to keep a pair of named wellies in school as we will be spending time learning outdoors.

**Reading Books**
We will be visiting the school library every Thursday. Please return your child's book on this day if you wish your child to choose a new book.

## Phonics

Our daily phonics sessions will continue throughout the term following the **Little Wandle Phase 2 programme**.

Children will learn new sounds and graphemes, practise blending sounds to read words, segmenting words for spelling, and reading common tricky words.

Through daily practice, we will continue to build confidence, fluency and independence in early reading and writing.

Please continue to revisit the sounds and tricky words sent home to support your child's learning.

**Maths**

This term we will be developing counting skills and exploring:

- The '5ness of 5'
- Comparing sets
- More than, fewer than and equal amounts
- Part-whole relationships
- Composition of numbers
- Matching numerals to quantities within 10
- Counting beyond 20 verbally

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to an exciting term of learning, exploring and celebrating together. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.