

# Foundation Stage 2



## Dates for your diary

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2pm-3pm** – Christmas stay and play session. An opportunity for you to make tree decorations and cards, and other Christmas crafts.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm** – Carle class Christmas themed assembly

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am** – Murphy class Christmas themed assembly

## Welcome back after half term!

This term we will be learning about our topic ‘Why do squirrels hide their nuts?’ We will be exploring these types of questions and more based on the children’s lines of enquiry and curiosity. Our possible lines of enquiry may include seasonal change in the natural world, hibernation and migration, autumn foods and woodland animals.

Alongside this we will continue to work on our phonics, using kinetic letters to form our letters and sentences and we will be exploring the mathematical concepts of ‘1,2,3,4 and 5’.

### Home learning

We would love you to read with your child as much as you can. The reading books we send home are just one way to support this. Other ways could be reading street signs, recipes when cooking or creating shopping lists or sharing favourite stories together.

We are working hard on our letter recognition, with a particular focus on writing our names. We would encourage you to continue to support your child with this at home.

This term we have launched Numbots. This

### Outdoor play

**Outdoor play happens each day in reception, whatever the weather! We kindly ask that you provide a pair of named wellies, waterproof coat and named spare clothes.**

### EEAT

**Each week, we will share one learning observation from school. We would love it if you could share a home observation with us too. This can be of anything from sharing a bedtime story, spotting numbers around the home or experiences they may have.**

### Phonics and Reading

We are currently transitioning to a new phonics scheme that will further support your child in learning to read. Your child will be given a reading book that is closely linked to their phonic ability. The new books will be