



Thorndon C of E Primary School

6th September 2024

Happy Autumn term to all our lovely children and their families

We hope that everyone has had a lovely summer holiday! It has been so lovely to see the children back in the classroom this week. We have loved spending the first few days of the term with the children, and we are all so excited about the learning and adventures we will go on this academic year.



Here is a quick summary of the upcoming learning:



In Phonics, we will be learning lots of new sounds, as well as recapping previous ones. We will then be applying those in a variety of different ways, this will involve regular reading. In Literacy, we will be learning about forming our letters, forming words and forming sentences correctly. As well as writing for different purposes, writing different genres, and learning our grammar and how to apply it correctly. This will be done in a variety of ways, with a lot of

learning through using a variety of interesting texts. We will be doing some non-fiction writing on ourselves as well as book making. We shall also be reading some fabulous texts through our daily guided reading.

In math's we will be learning all about, place value, addition and subtraction, shapes as well as for reception forming our numbers correctly and subitizing numbers 1-5. This will be done in a range of fun and practical ways.



In Science the children will be enjoying learning about everyday materials, we will be identifying and classifying, comparative tests and looking for patterns. We will also be learning all about the human senses, both topics are hands on and great fun!



In History and Geography, we will be learning about "Childhood". We will be comparing childhoods from the 1950s to today. We will be looking at important life events and family trees. Our RE learning is based on the question, Why is belonging to God and the church family important to Christians? We will also cover "Why is learning to do good deeds so important to Jewish people? In Computing we will be learning about Online Safety, effective searching and coding. Our PE topic is attacking and defending. Being me in my world, being special and safe, rights and



responsibilities, rewards and feeling proud will be covered in PSHE.

In Art we will be considering and learning all about primary colours, making secondary colours, how colours make us feel and hues. We will also be having fun with funny faces and fabulous features in Art. We will be learning all about West African music. For Design Technology, we will be exploring shelters and designing our own. We will consider why animals need shelter.

Any further question about any of the learning your child will be doing this half term, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Important information and days

Every Friday children will have their PE lesson; Children will need to come into school dressed in their PE kits for the day. Please can your child bring in a clearly labelled water bottle full of drink every day.

Children should have a spare set of clearly labelled wellington boots or trainers in school for the outside area or field.

Any questions about anything please do not hesitate to contact one of the Holly class team, our door is always open.

Many thanks, Miss Meadowcroft, Mrs Bell-Tye and Mrs Page

