## What we will be doing in school

## How you can help at home

### Topic - Home Sweet Home

We will introduce our new topic, Home Sweet Home.



We will discuss what the children know about different types of homes.

Talk about your family and who lives in your home. This might include your pets!

Talk about the different rooms in your house and where they are located, for example, on the first floor. Talk about what you do in those rooms.

Talk about other homes your children know – perhaps relatives', friends' or childminders' homes.

Discuss the features of different types of homes, for example, houses and flats.



### Literacy

We will discuss what we did during half term, encouraging the children to speak in full sentences and share experiences with others.

We will also ask children to ask each other questions about their holiday; for example, what did you enjoy the most? Did you go away or stay at home?

We will read information books about homes to find out which rooms they have and what we them.



Read information books about different types of homes and buildings with your child.

Visit the library and look for different types of books with houses in them. Note how different they can be to look at. What do they all have to have in them? For example, beds, a bathroom, somewhere to cook?



#### Maths

We will practise recognising numerals from 0 to 10, including looking at door numbers for our homes.

We will use number fans to show numerals 0-9.



Encourage your child to explore numbers in the world around them.

Look at your door number and other door numbers that you pass.

Support them to count a variety of different objects such as trees, conkers or cars.

Encourage your child to point to the object and touch it as they count each number.

Collect objects and practise counting them, lining up the objects you have collected and counting each in turn, for example, leaves or toy cars.

#### Additional activities



We will talk about and do some seasonal pumpkin activities. The children will have the chance to get messy scooping out the insides from pumpkins and sorting the seeds from the pulp!

We will discuss what happens on Bonfire Night and fireworks. We will look at some firework displays on our interactive whiteboard and create pictures of fireworks, using various materials.

We will make tasty edible sparklers!

We will discuss our new school value of **Forgiveness**.

We will learn outdoors on Outdoor Classroom Day. We will use natural materials to make some outdoor artwork. Please feel free to send in any spare Autumn leaves, conkers, acorns, wood slices.



Are you celebrating Halloween or Diwali during the holiday? Are you going to a firework display?

Discuss special times or celebrations for your family. What does your child enjoy? What do they know about these events?

Feel free to send photos to us on Class Dojo for the children to share when we get back to school.



If your child would like to, please bring in or email a photo of who lives in your home for the children to share with the class. This can include your family and pets if you have any.

We would also welcome a photo of their homes, perhaps a picture of the outside or front door. These will be used for class discussions.

### Reminders:

Please bring in book bags to school on your child's book change day - Wednesday.

Please remember to name all clothing, including coats, hats, gloves, scarves, etc.

Thank you for all your support in helping the children settle so well during this first half term.

Happy Half Term break!

Thank you

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