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Curriculum Letter for Autumn 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

We had such a wonderful first term welcoming the Foxes to Horsley School. All of the Foxes settled so quickly and have already made great progress. In the build up to Christmas our topic will be **'Sparkle & Shine!'** We will be diving into celebrations such as Bonfire Night, Diwali and, of course, Christmas! Our shiny new topic is the perfect way to get festive!

The Foxes will continue to learn largely through indoor and outdoor play this term. Additionally, more short focused activities in literacy and maths will be incorporated into our weekly timetable where appropriate.

To support your child at home you could:

- Hear your child read their school books for 5 minutes a day- this really helps to embed their phonics!
- Practice recording the words sent home linked to our phonics weekly sounds.

Additional information:

- PE will continue to take place every Tuesday. Please ensure children wear their PE kit to school.
- Outdoor learning will continue every Wednesday- we will always try to get outside regardless of the weather so wrap up warm!

| CURRICULUM AREA | AUTUMN 2 |
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| | Sparkle & Shine! |
| Christian Value | Respect |
| Class books | The long way home/ Non-fiction celebration stories/ Catch a star/ Christmas stories / Stick Man |
| Literacy/ communication and language | Labelling photographs Oral story telling/ story mapping/ re-telling Writing letters to Father Christmas Phase 2 phonics sounds |
| Maths | Practical addition/ 1:1 correspondence/ 1 more/ 1 less Time language- night and day Exploring number patterns Counting, ordinality and cardinality |
| Understanding the World | Celebrations: Bonfire Night/ Diwali/ Remembrance Day/ Christmas Outdoor Learning - Seasonal Changes |
| R.E. (Glos) | Why is Christmas special to Christians? |
| Expressive Art and Design | Charanga - My Stories! Firework paintings/ Clay/ Christmas crafts |
| P.E. | Gross motor control - ball skills/ hand-eye coordination Fine motor control - mark making, letter formation/ scissor skills tools |
| Personal, social and emotional | SCARF: Valuing difference Celebrations |

We look forward to working together.

Best wishes

Mrs Everett, Miss Kibble & Miss Ind-Smith

