



## Foundation Stage Newsletter – Issue 5

This week we have been exploring numbers, shape, space and measures with the children and they have loved sharing their knowledge with us. Most children are able to understand - in, on, under, over and through but find the words behind, in front, next to, beside and in between more difficult to understand. Have fun in the park exploring some of these words or at home with some toys as the more practice they have the easier they are to understand and use correctly. Thank you for the photographs of your houses. We have shared the children's photographs and drawings of their homes and discussed the similarities and differences between them. We began using various forms of construction to build models of our homes and enjoyed small world play with our models and our 'mini me' characters!

### **AUTUMN BAGS**

All the children will be bringing home a small brown paper bag for you to have fun at the weekend and collect some wonderful Autumn treasures. Please return your filled bags on Monday.

### **NEW LEARNING CHALLENGES**

Next week we will be very busy with two Learning Challenges;

*Why are there so many leaves on the ground?*

and

*How do we celebrate Diwali?*

Our 'Wows'....

To begin this challenge will see us exploring the spinney on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October** and so all children will need to wear old trousers or jogging bottoms with their normal school uniform t shirts and jumpers/cardigans. Please ensure your child wears a coat and brings a pair of named wellies in a named carrier bag. We will be outside, whatever the weather!

On **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October** we ask that the children all come in 'celebration clothes' i.e. dresses and smart shirts. However, please be aware when choosing clothes that we will be having a normal 'reception' day with paint, glue and playtimes!!

### **REMINDERS**

Lunchtimes are going well so far but you can help your child to be successful by practising using a knife and a fork on their own and opening packets, yoghurts, tubs by themselves.

Please remember that the water bottles for the classroom should only contain water, not juice.