# Hedgehogs Fact sheet Autumn 2



I hope you all had an enjoyable half term and are ready for a busy and exciting half term ahead. Our topic this half term is 'Toy Story'.

# English

As Writers we will be . . . exploring 'Toy Story'. We will predict what we think will happen in the story, explore the plot of the story as well as the characters. We will aim to plan and write our own complete story based on our own toys coming alive. We will also research toys from the past using the internet and information books. We will then write an information page using the information gathered. As we get closer to Christmas we will also write a letter to Santa and explore the Christmas Story.

We will also be developing our knowledge of spellings, grammar and punctuation, particularly focusing on past and present tense.



# Maths

As Mathematicians we will be . . .

- Rapidly recalling number bonds to 10 and 100.
- Adding and subtracting leading to crossing the tens boundary.
- Adding and subtracting practically and using a number line.
- Adding and subtracting using a blank number line and written column methods.
- Addition and subtraction word problems.

We will continue to apply our learnt skills to problem solving and reasoning activities on a weekly basis.

We will also continue to take home our Maths target boxes and Maths record book - your support with these is very much appreciated.

### Science

As Scientists we will be . . . identifying and comparing the uses of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses. We will also find out how shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

# ICT

#### As computer scientists we will be . . . exploring scratch to understand algorithms. We will also use the internet to research toys from the past. We will continually make sure we are using technology safely and respectfully.

## Topic

As designers we will be . . . making peg dolls. As historians we will be . . . exploring toys from the past and comparing toys from the past to toys today.

As artists we will be . . . completing various Christmas crafts.

# PE

As sportsmen and sportswomen we will be . . . composing and performing short dances with clear beginnings, middles and ends, that express and communicate ideas and feelings. Children will need their usual PE kit in school every day and could you please ensure it is clearly labelled. Earrings need to be removed on Wednesdays for PE lessons please.

## MUSIC

As musicians we will be . . . exploring sounds and the beat and practising for the Christmas play.

# PSHE

Our values for this half term are 'Creativity and Curiosity'.

### Homework

The children will take home their reading books, Maths target boxes and records every day and are encouraged to read and practise their Maths targets regularly at home. We would ask you to comment in their reading and Math's records when they have read to you or practised their Maths target. They will have weekly spellings to learn which will be checked on Fridays. Homework will be given out every Thursday and handed in the following Monday. It is the children's responsibility to take their homework and spellings out of their folder and to put them into the appropriate tray in the classroom each week to be marked. The children are able to change their individual reading book every morning as they come into school and Maths targets will be checked on a regularly basis.

# RE

In our RE lessons, children will be exploring Jesus' birth and why Jesus is important for Christians. They will give examples of ways in which Christians use the story of the nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas.

If you have any queries please feel free to discuss them with me after school.

Thank you for your support,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. A Manlove

