

### Happy New Year!

We hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year, relaxing and spending time with family. Our topic for this term is 'Superheroes', through this we will be exploring and learning all about special powers, heroes, villains and answering the question: what makes a Superhero? We will then be exploring how we have superheroes in our everyday lives as people who help us.

### Understanding the World

We will be exploring different materials to make the best superhero cape for their favourite teddy! We will be looking at superheroes from the past, exploring superpowers such as strength of materials and talking about people who help us. Celebrations we will be looking at include Chinese New Year.

### Physical Education (PE)

We will have PE on a Tuesday afternoon and Thursday morning which will be lead by Miss Montague-Smith and Mr Papper. Our units for this term are Body Management and Dance. As the weather is getting colder, please make sure children have appropriate outdoor kit.

### Religious Education (RE)

In RE we will be looking at the Christian value of *Courage*.  
What does it mean to have courage?  
How can we use courage in our day to day lives?  
How does God help us be brave and have Courage?

### Maths

In maths we will be introducing the concept of 0 and looking more closely at the numbers 1-5 through different representations of number and practicing our subitising skills. We will then go back and extend our knowledge of mass, measure and capacity, before introducing and exploring the numbers 6, 7, and 8.

### Phonics

In phonics we have now started our level 3 sounds. In class we will be revisiting level 2 sounds for consolidation but will progress through the new level 3 sounds throughout the term. We would encourage you to still read daily with your child, practicing the level 2 sounds and tricky words frequently.

### Expressive Art and Design

In EAD we will be focusing on music this term, exploring Chinese music during Chinese New Year. The children will also have the opportunity to create lots of super artwork such as superhero puppets, masks, Chinese dragons as well as fingerprint art as we become police officers!

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### Literacy

In Literacy we will be consistently sharing high-quality texts with the children to support our 'Superhero' topic. These include 'Superworm', 'Superheroes don't get scared...or do they?', 'Supertato', 'Burglar Bill', 'Zog and the Flying Doctors' and 'The Hospital Dog'. This term, we will be focusing on developing the writing process for the children, starting with exploring characters and settings through role-play before developing our own independent writing.

### Homework

Hedgehogs will have limited homework based on their learning; however, we encourage you to talk to the children about what they have been learning and to extend their knowledge through activities at home. **We encourage the children to produce pictures over the weekend of things they have done to share as a show and tell on Monday and to put up on our 'What we have been up to' display.**

Children will have a reading folder that they will take home and will be required to read daily. This can be their reading book or a high-quality text of their choice. Reading for pleasure and engagement in reading is vital for a child's positive attainment in reading and their development of self.