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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you all doing well and have enjoyed your half term.

This half term we will learn about **Autumn/Winter** and different **Celebrations**. We will start by learning celebrations such as Diwali and Bonfire Night. The children will listen to the story of Rama and Sita and explore different ways that this festival is celebrated.

In Nursery this half term we will also have discussions about autumn leaves. We will use WOW words to describe their colours and textures e.g. 'crunchy', 'crispy'. We will be encouraged to speak in full sentences, especially when asking for our snack. We will make autumn leaf collages, leaf rubbings, firework pictures and lots more art work later in the term. We will even look at work by Jackson Pollock and make 'marble paintings'!

Moving towards December, we will then start talking about toys in the lead up to Christmas. We will share with each other our favourite toy and explain how it works. We will continue singing counting songs and learn new rhymes. We will start to learn to recognise some numbers and to match them to small sets of objects. We will also use money in the role play toy shop and will write price labels for toys.

We will explore different materials for mark making and talk about what we have drawn or written. We will take care of our books, turn the pages correctly and talk about stories we have heard. We will continue to share with our friends what we have done in our 'Reading home link books' on a Thursday, so we can celebrate our achievements.

## **Introducing 'Star Moments'**

We would love to hear about all the amazing things your child can do at home. For example, getting dressed by themselves, helping with jobs at home, recognising numbers and sharing with friends and family etc. We will be giving out some 'Star Moment' stars and we would like you to use these to write something that your child has achieved outside of school. There will be a special box out every day for you to post these slips into so that we can share them with all the children and put them up on display.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Karir, Mrs Sirazi and Ms Ley. Nursery Team













