

# MANILA'S

## Useful Information

### Autumn 2

#### Theme: Into the woods



This half term our theme is: Into the woods.

We will learning about the natural world and exploring our wider environment.

We will continue to learn about ourselves through songs, creative arts and stories.

#### Literacy:



This term we will be reading:

- Bear Snores On by Karma Wilson
- Goldilocks and the Three Bears.



These books support our focus on exploring our wider environment. They have repeated phrases that the children will learn, building on their listening skills.

We will also be learning a weekly poem from 'Poetry Basket': Wise Old Owl

#### Phonics:



In Nursery, we are continuing to focus on Phase 1 in Phonics.

This includes;

- Listening to sounds in our environment.
- Tuning to a story
- Exploring instrumental sounds
- Joining with nursery rhymes

#### Maths:



This half term we will continuing to focus on:

- Compare quantities: more than / less than.
- Compare sizes and weight, using gestures and language.
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#### Physical Development (PD):



Our focus in PE this term continues to be:

- Putting on coats on with support.
- Social skills games.
- Listening to skills to follow instructions.
- Using our bodies to make different movements: crawling, hopping, rolling, and stretching.
- Moving our bodies to music by dancing, clapping and stamping.

## Understanding the World (UW):



This half-term, the children will be exploring and getting to know their wider environment using all their senses.

We will explore the local park and our allotment using our senses: smell, touch, sight and listening.

We will begin to look at the weather, seasons and how it changes the environment around us.

## Other Areas of Learning



### Communication and Language:

We will be working on our listening skills by taking part in daily routines, story time and singing.

Children will have opportunities to show their interests by accessing the continuous provision (all of the activities set up daily in Nursery).

The environment will allow them to work on their focus and attention. Interaction with others will nurture their speaking and language.

## Home Learning:

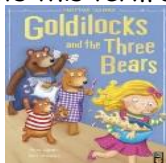
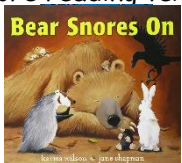


We encourage our parents to read to their child for at least 15 minutes every day. We will give you a storybook to read to your child each week. Please return this book to be changed on **Fridays**.

## Core Reading Text:



Our core reading texts this term are:



## Language of the Half Term:



Our language of the half term is Somali  
16% of our families speak Somali.

## Poem of the Half Term:



We are learning a new four-line poem each week through Poetry Basket: Wise Old Owl

## Skills Builder:

This half term, we will be focusing on: **Listening**.



## Rights Respecting:



This half term we will continue to focus on playing and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child and their right to participate freely in cultural life and the arts.

### Key Dates:

- Monday 4th November - Return to school
- Tuesday 5th November - Year 2 Class trip
- Thursday 7th November - Year 4 Class trip
- Monday 11th November to Friday 15th November - Parents Meetings
- Friday 15th November - Children in Need
- Monday 18th November - School uniform recycling
- Friday 22nd November - Santiago Class Assembly
- Friday 29th November - Birthday Bash
- Tuesday 19th December - School Disco
- Friday 20th December - Birthday bash
- Friday 20th December - End of term. School closes at 1.30pm



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