



## Nursery Newsletter Term 2

### Activities and Experiences

- Diwali- Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November
- Autumn
- Trip to Wroxton Park
- Christmas
- Nativity Play

### Ways to support your child at home this term

Learning maths begins at home through children's play. Children enjoy practical and meaningful experiences and they can learn so much through their play. Building towers with wooden blocks develops understanding of shape and space. The vocabulary is also important so let your child hear the words as they play: big, little, tall, high, long, short. Children are often fascinated by numbers especially their age or house number. Count as your child plays counting up and down stairs or pushes on a swing. Sing number songs: '1,2,3,4,5 Once I caught a fish alive' is a good song because children can recite the numbers in order. Cooking is a great way to introduce maths: weighing and measuring ingredients, counting out cake cases, and using lots of new words: more, less, level, balance, small, large and round. Look out for numbers everywhere: on houses, cars, in shops and on the motor way. Playing in the park is a good opportunity to use positional words: up, down, high, low, fast and slow. Please talk your child's key person if you like more ideas for maths at home.

### Key dates for the school year

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November trip to Wroxton Park
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November open day for nursery 9.30 am start.
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Bazaar
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Nursery Nativity Play- the morning and the afternoon children will combine together in the morning session for the play. If you would like your child to stay for the afternoon please let us know.
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Party
- Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December Parents Sharing Day- Physical Development AM and PM
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December last day of term 2
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 start of term 3
- Please do not forget to make an application to Oxfordshire County Council for a full time place in a primary school for September 2017. Go to [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions).