Autumn Term 2 – Elm Class

Below you will find an outline of our Autumn Term 2 curriculum.

English We will be using a variety of stories and activities to support extending our sentence writing. Our new term will begin with the book -The Nutcracker. We will also continue to practise letter formation in handwriting sessions.	**Maths** We will be focusing on addition and subtraction within the number 10, to support our understanding of number. We will begin to explore shapes and their properties.	**Phonics and Reading** We will continue daily phonics sessions using Little Wandle, in addition to group and individual reading opportunities. Sound mats and reading books are also for use at home as well as school.
Science This term, we will continue to explore the Autumn season, observing and discussing changes in the weather, trees, plants and animals. We will build on our learning about plants and trees by developing our identification skills and learning to recognise and name a range of common British trees.	**Computing** Lessons this term will continue our work about online safety and developing our understanding of the technology we have around us.	**Art** To introduce this topic, we will begin to explore lines and drawing. We will look at how artists, such as Bridget Riley, use drawing and lines in their work.
Geography We are beginning to learn about the United Kingdom. We will explore maps and how to locate land and sea as well as countries and capital cities in the UK.	**PE** Our PE lessons will learn game skills and teamwork in football and other team games.	**Music** Music this term is a combination of class music lessons, exploring pulse and rhythm and learning about the music and songs from our Nativity. We will be learning to perform and that our voices are instruments too.
PSHE In Autumn Terms 1 & 2 we will explore and develop our understanding of the following topics: **Keeping/Staying Safe** **Being Responsible** **Feelings & Emotions**	**RE** Our topic for this term is : Who is Jewish and how do they live? We will begin to explore the Jewish religion to expand our understanding of world religion.	**Key Instant Recall Facts – KIRFs** to practise at home and school. Counting in 10s from 0 -100, including 10ps up to 90p

Homework expectations: Please continue to support your child with home learning by reading together at least **five times a week** and practising phonics sounds daily. Children should also complete **3 minutes of Numbots** and **five Spelling Shed games** each week. **Spelling Shed** homework is being introduced to support the children in learning their tricky words and practising the new sounds they are learning in Phonics. Logins will be sent home shortly. Please remember to record all home learning in your child's online journal.

We have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know you and your children this term and look forward to an exciting term ahead as we approach Christmas. As always, please get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards, **Mrs Tai and Miss Green**