

# Hazelbury Primary School

## Reception News Autumn Two



Thank you to everyone who has updated their 'All About Me' section on Tapestry and uploading photos from your half term holiday.

This half term our topic will be '*What can stories tell us?*' with a focus on learning the morals that are hidden in stories. This will help us begin to understand values and how they help us grow into more resilient, caring, and kind individuals. We will also be discussing the characters in stories and whether they are good or bad, and the type of behaviours they show. We will continue with our learning in the outdoor learning garden so please ensure children have clothing that is appropriate for the weather, e.g. raincoat, wellie boots, hats, gloves, and so on.

We are also fortunate enough to be having Hobgoblin Theatre Company in to visit us in December to develop storytelling and imagination through engaging in theatrical role-play and watching the performance of the Pied Piper!

### **Celebrating Achievements:**

The children had a very busy first half-term! They absolutely loved Role2Play and engaging in different role-play activities. We have made cupcakes, explored our environment with our senses, and began phonics – learning lots of new letters and sounds! The children have also taken ownership of their work and use the iPads to capture evidence of work they are proud of!



### Why Not Try This at Home?!

To continue with the topic at home you may like to read some Traditional Tales together, such as Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood, and so on, and discuss the message in the stories, for example, don't talk to strangers. You may like to go and see an adaptation of a Traditional Tale at the Millfield Theatre – their Christmas Panto is Sleeping Beauty! You could even be really creative and have a go at writing your own story with different characters! You may also like to visit the library and learn more about different cultures and their upcoming festivals, e.g. Christmas and Hannukah.

Please reinforce the Makaton signs learnt so far, and don't forget to add any photos to Tapestry!

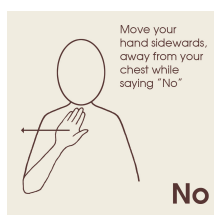
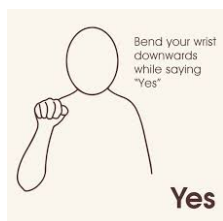
### Top Tips for Talking:

**Have fun with nursery rhymes and songs:** especially those with actions, or create your own!

**Encourage your child to listen to different sounds, such as cars and animals:** this will help your child's listening skills.

### Makaton Signs:

Please see this month's signs and practise these with your child at home.



### Key Info:

Please make your payment for the theatre show via Arbor, if you need any help please ask a member of staff. Please also send spare clothes in with your child to leave in their locker in case of a toileting accident and a water bottle with their name clearly labelled on it.

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November – Dress Up as book character day

WB 13<sup>th</sup> November – Antibullying Week

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Dress Up in something spotty for Children In Need

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Family Friday

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Hobgoblin Theatre Company

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Fayre

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Family Friday

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of Term

### Where Can You Find Us?

If you would like to keep up to date with what is happening within school then you can find us using the apps and website below.



Instagram Username:  
hazelbury\_school



Twitter Username:  
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School Website:  
[www.hazelbury-primary-school.co.uk](http://www.hazelbury-primary-school.co.uk)