



**Last term, we enjoyed** reading Bumblebear and writing about Harry the Happy Mouse and making hats and pictures to retell the story. We particularly enjoyed learning outside the classroom with Miss Hulse and visiting Fairfield Orchard on a sunny day in autumn to learn about changes in the seasons and the geography of our local area. For many of us in Orange Class, our favourite memory was travelling on the train and exploring Bolton Wanderers' Football Stadium and meeting Lofty the Lion. We also liked learning about transport in the past and about the Christmas story in RE. The art and craft activities were also very popular and we all loved working with a visiting artist to create a music backdrop. In music, we enjoyed working with a range of different musicians and we were very excited to take part in an African drumming session.

**This term, we are looking forward to** PE and using the Gym Stars equipment in the school hall. We are also looking forward to learning more about the parts of the human body and about different animals. In geography, we will be learning about the different continents around the world and, in design technology, we are very excited to be making our own fruit smoothies. We will also start learning about Islam and Judaism in our religious education lessons and have our first computer coding lessons this term! In art, we will be learning about Kirsten Katz and making prints and collages inspired by her work. We are also looking forward to reading some traditional stories by Beatrix Potter and writing our own versions.

### Key Vocabulary

Please talk about these words at home with your child. They will learn about them in class and it really helps them to remember them and the connected ideas by sharing them with you too.

*texture, print, collage, senses, touch, see, feel, hear, taste, information, continent, country*

### Home Reading

Please keep reading to your child regularly and listen to them read as often as you can (everyday if possible). It does make a huge difference!

### Important days and dates

Our main day for PE is Wednesday each week. Please ensure children wear trainers on Wednesdays as we will be using the Gym Stars equipment this term. This is gym equipment specially designed for young children that is provided by Morecambe Football Club. The children love these sessions and it is important they have trainers to fully participate. *(Ideally, we like all children to be in active uniform all week so that we are ready to get moving at any time in the week!)*

Parent and Carer Meetings are on 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> January. These are a great opportunity to find out more about how your child is getting on in school. We look forward to seeing you then.