



**Last term, we enjoyed** learning about transport and how this has changed over time. We got creative, and worked as a class, to create a number of exciting roleplays, such as our pizza shop, cosy Christmas house and a train station. In science, we had lots of fun building boats to help the penguin travel back to the South Pole and testing them to see how well they floated. We also loved exploring the weather, making wind vanes and running up and down with them in the playground. All the children were brilliant in the build up to Christmas and played their parts in our school play fabulously! We had a lovely visit from NISCU, who brought their puppets and told us all about the Christian story of the first Christmas. Our final memory included a visit from Harold the Giraffe who popped in to help us learn about our bodies, staying healthy and how we can gain lots of energy. This will really help us next term when we start to explore vitamins, fruits and vegetables in DT.

**This term, we are looking forward** to welcoming Miss Maguire in to Orange Class.

We will be starting our outdoor learning sessions again every Wednesday in the Wildlife area. These will give us lots of opportunities to learn about the world around us and get creative with nature during, which is very exciting for lots of Orange Class. We are also looking forward to learning more about the parts of the human body and healthy foods we put in them. 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 healthy fruit snacks. We will also start learning about Islam and Judaism in our religious education lessons and have further 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 inspired by them and 'The Enormous Turnip'.

### 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, healthy, energy*

### Home Reading

We have noticed a larger number of children not reading at home over the last half-term. It is vital that children have the chance to practice and consolidate their learning at home. It does make a huge difference! Please try and read with your child at least 3 times a week. ☺

Reading books are changed Monday, Wednesday and Friday- if marked as read.

### Important days and dates

Our main day for PE is Friday each week. Please ensure children wear trainers on these days. ☺  
*(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!)*

Outdoor learning sessions are starting every Wednesday. Please make sure children have warm coats and any other warm items, such as hats/gloves. We do have wellies in school but **if children can bring their own wellies it really helps**. Thank you

Mrs Smalley will teach the children Monday-Wednesday (until 1.30pm).

Miss Maguire will teach the children Wednesday PM- Friday.

If you have any problems please talk to either of us or catch Mrs G/ Miss Marsland at the end of the day. ☺