CHOLLERTON FIRST SCHOOL

RECEPTION Topic Letter



2nd Half Autumn Term 2023

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. Our topic is the Jolly Postman.

In <u>Communication</u>, <u>Language and Literature</u>, we will be talking about the Post Office. Please talk about why you use the post office.

Through the story of the Jolly Postman, we will look at different types of writing. Please show your child different types of writing, e.g. invitations, cards, messages, letters, instructions, etc.

We will talk about the journey of a letter from being posted to being delivered.

Reading

Your child is continuing our reading scheme books, twice a week. These are shared readers. Please send reading packets everyday. We will change books on Monday and again later in the week. We will continue with the personal reading books.

Please try to sit for five to ten minutes daily sharing these books - it is very beneficial to your child.

Our sound work continues – you will find a sound card in the red reading packet – talk about things that begin with, e.g. r

In <u>Maths</u>, we are continuing our number work: counting, reading and ordering numbers. We will begin with 7 and work through to ten.

Our topic for maths is shape. Please look for 2D and 3D shapes at home.

We will have a post office in the role play area where the children can use pretend money to purchase items and later on a Christmas shop.

Understanding the World - Technology

On the computer we will be word-processing text for books we are making in designing and making.

In <u>People & Communities</u> we will be thinking about the celebrations of Bonfire night and Diwali. Also reflecting on the importance of remembrance. We will be preparing for the birth of a baby – leading into the Christmas story.

We will also learn about maps and make simple maps and make simple maps related to the journey of the Jolly Postman communities.

We will look at the history behind bonfire night and some of our Christmas customs.

In **Expressive Arts & Design** we will make books with simple moving parts. Christmas art.

In <u>**PE**</u> Becky will be doing dance.

If you have any queries, please get in touch. Thank you for your help. Hazel Davey