



REIGATE ST MARY'S
PREPARATORY AND CHOIR SCHOOL

October 2018

Dear Parents

We hope you and the children have had a restful break and are looking forward to the next half-term!

This term, our topic *What a Wonderful World* will move to focus on *The World Around Us*. We will be travelling around the world, visiting various countries, trying different foods, and exploring different cultures. If you or your child have any interesting objects from countries you have visited, they are more than welcome to bring them in to share them with the class but please nothing breakable or too precious! You can read about what we are focusing on each week in our weekly letter which is available on the website, and displayed next to the red door. If you have family or friends who live abroad, or who go on holiday abroad, it would be wonderful if they could send a postcard to Kindergarten about where they are and the sights they have seen.

Please do let us know if you would like to come into Kindergarten to share any topic-related stories or experiences with the children. We love having visitors!

During the first week after half term, we will be talking about Autumn. If you find any Autumnal items during half term, your child can bring them in to the classroom to add to our nature table. In the second week, we will move on to exploring celebrations and will be celebrating Diwali and talking about fireworks.

Throughout the term we will also be incorporating our school value of *Courage* and our thinking skill of *Good Judgement* into the children's experiences.

Our *Fabulous Finish* for the term will take place on **29th November**. We will be having an Around the World picnic (food will be provided), and we would like the children to come into school dressed up in a costume from a different country.

Uniform

As the term progresses and the weather turns colder please could we ask that all hats, scarfs and gloves are clearly named, and that the gloves are kept in their coat pocket, hats in the hood and their scarf hung on their peg. Please could you also ensure that your child has waterproof trousers and wellies which are clearly labelled so it is easy for your child to find their name. Each child needs to have a spare set of clothes on their peg at all times.

Please could you also ensure that if your child does bring a toy with them into school, it is small enough to fit into their pocket in line with the policy of the rest of the school. Toys should be kept in trays or bags.

Christmas

During December we will incorporate Christmas into our planning. We will be joining Reception for our Christmas concert on **5th December**. Please can we ask for you to send into school a named plain navy t-shirt by **Friday 23rd November**. We will also be visiting the church for our carol service and are looking forward to you sharing our festive multicultural classroom for open morning that same day!

As always we have an open-door policy so if you have any questions or concerns you are always welcome to talk to any member of the Kindergarten Team.

Kind Regards

The Kindergarten Team

Dates for your diary

FOSMA Fireworks - November 2nd

St Mary's Church Christmas Fair - November 17th

Multicultural picnic and dress up – November 29th

Christmas Concert - December 5th

Open Classroom and Carol Service – 11th December

End of Term - December 14th