

The Ark Nursery Newsletter

This week

We have continued following the Talk 4 Writing approach with our focus book 'Rosie's Walk'. Videos and photos of our story retelling have been uploaded to Tapestry. We've also been making marks and giving meaning to these marks on our own story maps, having first completed a shared one together as a class. We've also consolidated sorting / matching in Maths with party rings! We explored pumpkins and Harvest further, ending our Thursday with a trip to church for our annual Harvest celebration. The children loved seeing the church for the first time and did some fantastic walking all the way there and back!



After Half Term

In Phonics, our focus will be instrumental sounds. We will also take part in lots of activities to promote name recognition. We will continue sharing lots of books, whilst encouraging oracy. In Maths, we will look at subitising, counting and numerals.

We are very excited to welcome new friends into our classroom after half term! Now our confidence has blossomed, we will be encouraging independence with putting on our own coats, clothes, shoes and wellies and having a go with buttons and zips.

Over half term, please continue to upload photos to Tapestry of what you get up to at home. It is a fantastic talking point and the children love sharing photos with their friends!

When we return, we will focus on Bonfire Night with discussions surrounding Guy Fawkes and safety and lots of creative activities alongside too! We will then explore the story of 'Rama and Sita'. Diwali is the five-day Festival of Lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus,

Sikhs and Jains across the world. Having made connections between features of our own and other people's families, we will begin noticing differences between people too.

Learning links at home

- This week, you were sent home with a brown bag and some instructions. Collect some Autumn treasures (coloured leaves, acorns, conkers, pinecones) and bring them back to school in the brown bag, where we will be able to explore them further and use them in our learning sessions.
- Upload photos of your half term adventures onto Tapestry for the children to discuss when we return!