

# St Augustine's Nursery Newsletter

Spring Term 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term we welcome some new children and their families to our Nursery. We introduced the **WOW** cards and would like this to continue throughout the year. This is a chance for you to tell us all the wonderful things your child does at home. We will celebrate these achievements by reading them out during our carpet session and displaying them in the entrance hall. Please keep them coming in! New Wow sheets are available in the lobby.

Our main topic this term is **Traditional Tales**. We will be looking at a different tale each week. We will read 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears,' 'The Gingerbread Man,' 'The Three Little Pigs' and many more. The children will listen to different versions of these stories and begin to retell them using finger puppets and props.

We will be starting our first RE topic "Celebrating". Linked with this topic is our celebration of the Chinese New Year (The Year of the Dog) which takes place on 16th February. The children will learn about Chinese traditions, culture and food.

Other RE topics this term are 'Gathering' when we will talk about how we gather as a community in school and church; and "Growing" as we observe the new growth around us and as we grow in love for Jesus at Lent and Easter time —this is linked with our science topic.



Our main topic of the term is traditional tales. The children will be learning the stories of the Three Little Pigs and Goldilocks and The 3 Bears in detail. They have been listening to a variety of traditional tales including the Three Billy Goats Gruff, Jack and the Beanstalk, Little Red Riding Hood and the Gingerbread Man. In science we have been learning about baby animals. Our topic for the next half term is 'Growing'. We will be planting vegetables and bedding plants in the Nursery garden and we will be observing new growth all around us. At the end of the term we will visit Beckenham Place Park to explore the changes that have taken place since our walk in the Autumn. We are also planning a trip by bus to Catford Library during book week and details will be given soon. Please remember that we can only take the children on trips with the help of parents and helpers and we are extremely grateful for this support.



## Spare Clothes

Please can you make sure your child has spare clothes with them at all times, including underwear (socks/tights and knickers/pants).

**Cold weather** We have had some very cold, wet and windy weather but, as always, the children are keen to be outside and they had a wonderful time exploring the ice in the Nursery garden. They scraped it from all the surfaces and they found big bits of ice that they enjoyed breaking up. Being out in all weather is an important part of the children's learning. Please make sure they have appropriate clothing.

You can also find information on our school website: [www.staugustines.lewisham.sch.uk](http://www.staugustines.lewisham.sch.uk)