PE will be on Wednesdays this term. Please make sure they are wearing their PE kit on this day. No earrings or jewellery should be worn during the school day. Dates for your diary: 21st & 23rd November: Parents Evening via Zoom CHANGE OF DATE—7Th December Nativity at 2pm in the hall Term 5 Woburn Zoo trip approximately £15 (details to follow)

#### Need to know:

+Please check that **all** uniform, lunchboxes and water bottles are **named**.

+It is great to see how well some children are doing with their **developing independence**, by putting the own coats on and taking them off. Please remember the weather is getting colder and wetter. All children **must** have a **warm waterproof coat** to wear as we play out in all weathers!

+Between the time of **8.50 and 9am** we practice our Kinetic Letters, please **be prompt** on arrival to school.

+**Junk request**: We would like your junk (empty cereal boxes, tubes, yoghurt pots, lids, plastic bottles) we love making models.

+Phonics information: Please support your child with their reading by learning the letter sound cards sent home and practice orally blending sounds together to make words. Your child will be assessed every 5-6weeks.

Thank You for reading

Mrs Wadsworth, Miss Hives and Miss Larkins



# Standens Barn

# **Primary School**

# **Reception Newsletter**

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#### Literacy

#### **Phonics and Reading:**

+Engage in extended conversations about stories, learning new vocabulary

- +To continue to learn single letter sounds
- +To know how to orally blend simple 3 letter words

#### Writing:

+To know how to write labels and captions.

- + To write words to describe what I notice (see and hear) when watching fireworks.
- Story—How to Catch a Star

+To write words to describe:

- 1.Noticing What do the stars look like?
- 2.Actions Ways the boy can catch the star.
- 3.Thought How will the boy catch the star?

### **Expressive Arts and Design**

#### **Creating With Materials**

+To know about the art of **Andy Goldsworthy** and **James Brunt**, and to use this knowledge to create my own work.

+To know how to explore paint effects through colour and different methods of application, inspired by fireworks.

#### **Being Imaginative**

+To know how to sing and perform in a nativity play with my class.

+I know that I can move my body to music by listening and responding expressively.

#### Music:

**+**To know how to use actions/movements to show changes in pitch.

+To know songs and actions for our whole class performance (Nativity)

### **Communication and Language**

#### Listening and Attention

+ I know how to listen to others and share my own ideas when problem solving how to catch a star.

#### Speaking

+To know how to use talk to share ideas and organise activities when creating collaboratively.

#### Story—How to Catch a Star

+ To know how to echo talk in sentences.

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# Understanding of the World

- + To know that the passing of time causes some things to change (the tree)
- +To know that some of our Christmas traditions come from the past

**+T**o know that people have different beliefs and celebrate different special times

+To know Christians are often Christened, but Hindu's are not

+To know about the religious celebrations of Diwali and Christmas and the cultural celebration of Bonfire Night

+To know about the Christmas story.

+To know that the natural world around me changes with the seasons

+To know how to describe what I can see, hear and feel whilst outside

+To know there are things I can and cannot do in the dark.

# **Physical Development**

#### Fine Motor

- + To know how to form a diva lamp by rolling, pinching and squeezing playdough.
- +To know how to use my fingers to roll and flatten dough as part of a firework model.
- +To know how to hold and use scissors to cut shapes and make snips to produce a Christmas tree.

#### Gross Motor—Dance

- +To know how to use colours and feelings in dance
- +To Know how to perform as animals using different levels and directions
- +To Know how to work with a partner

+To Know how to show expression in our sequence

+To Know how to use seasons in our dance

+To Know how to use leading and following movements

## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

#### Me and my relationships

+To know and be able to talk about similarities and differences.

+To know and be able to name special people in my life.

+To know and be able to describe different feelings.

+To know and be able to identify who can help if I am sad, worried or scared.

+To know and be able to identify ways to help others or myself if I am sad or worried.

### Maths

- + To recognise and understand numbers 1, 2,3.
- +To know what is one more or one less.
- +To know how to subitise.