

# Welcome to Little Orchard!



Term:  
Autumn 1

Hello, everyone! Welcome back to our first half term in Little Orchard! This half term our topic is "Light and Dark". We will be exploring how light and shadows work in Science.

In History we will be looking at how light appliances have changed over time.

In work related-learning we will be helping save energy by turning off lights and electrical equipment when they are not being used in school and begin to understand how this can impact our wider environment.

## Maths

This half term we will be learning about place value and continue to improve our counting skills using lots of different equipment.

## English

This half term will be exploring and retelling the story of "Orion and The Dark". We will then be reading some non-fiction related to light and Dark and explaining the differences between fiction and non-fiction

## PSHE

Our topic this half term will be Relationships. We will be looking at families and friendships and how being kind can help keep these relationships healthy.

We will also be exploring different feelings and what to do if we feel angry, upset or scared.

## PE

This term we will focusing on agility. We will be working on our ball skills through throwing, catching and chasing. We will also be looking at some group games. We will continue with swimming and hope to gain some awards this term!

**RE:** Our RE focus question this term is 'How Ganesh is worshipped by Hindus?' which we will be exploring through sensory and hands-on experiences.



***Please ensure all belonging are clearly labelled to avoid items getting lost or misplaced. Thank you***

Wednesday 13th September—Roald Dahl Story Day

Tuesday 19th September—Youth Mental Health Day

Half Term—23rd October until 27th October

# Little Orchard Class Team



Lucy (Class Teacher)



Lisa (Mid day supervisor)



Little Orchard Teaching Assistants

## Class Fund

Thank you to those who contribute to our half termly class fund, this supports us in our Cooking/ Design and Technology lessons. If you are able to contribute please do so through Parent Pay. We recommend £5 each half term

## Swimming

We will be swimming on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Please ensure that your child has a swim kit, clearly labelled with their names sent in for this.

## Outdoor Learning

We will be spending lots of time learning outside this term. Please ensure that your child is ready for all weathers! Please ensure they come to school with labelled waterproof coat and a change of clothes. Wellies would also be useful if possible.

## PE kit

PE is on Tuesday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate PE kit, labelled with their name for our lessons on a Thursday. This should include a t-shirt, shorts/jogging bottoms and appropriate footwear. If possible, these should be left in school and will be sent home at the end of each half term to be cleaned.

For updates, information and useful contacts, please check our school website and Facebook pages.

**[www.doubletrees.org.uk](http://www.doubletrees.org.uk)**

Could I please ask that each evening after you have read the home-school diary that you initial what has been written as acknowledgment