



Dear Families,

We all hope you have had a fabulous half term.

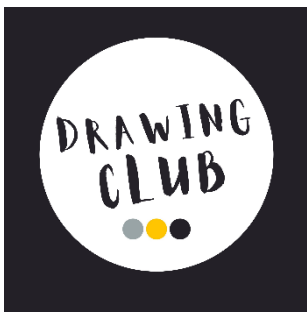
## Our new theme is 'Can I tell you a story?'



We will be reading traditional stories such as 'The Little Red Hen', 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears', and 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff.' We will share different versions of these stories and compare them. We will learn to retell the stories using story language, perform them using story maps and songs and use them as inspiration for our artwork.

We will also share stories important to different cultures such as the Ramayana and the Nativity.

We are excited to be starting a new initiative called 'Drawing Club'. Some of the benefits are that:



- Children love drawing
- Children love clubs
- Drawing Club brings imagination to life
- Vocabulary is introduced in a contextual way
- Drawing develops the hand and the mind
- Drawing Club has a huge impact on children's confidence and joy.
- Drawing Club can be taken in any direction: reading, writing, maths, vocabulary!

We will also be learning to use our senses to explore natural materials and experience the changing seasons. We will use a wide range of vocabulary to describe what we see, hear, touch, smell and even taste!

### How can you help?

- If you have any resources at home that you feel may be useful such as different versions of traditional tales, story puppets then please do bring them into school.
- You may like to come in and read a traditional tale to the class or a traditional tale in another language.
- Library books will be changed for Nursery and Reception children on **Wednesdays**.
- Please feel free to ask if you have any questions, we are always happy to help.

**Dates for your diary:**

Nov 13th- Stubbings Nasal Flu Vaccines - Reception & KS1 children

Nov 13th – Odd socks day to start Anti Bullying Week

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> - Anti bullying week, this year's theme is 'Make a noise about Bullying'.

Nov 17<sup>th</sup>- Phonics Workshop for Reception Parents 9.30 am in hall after Good News Assembly

Nov 17<sup>th</sup> - Children in Need wear spots and bring a donation.

Nov 29th - Wellbeing Wednesday

Dec 9<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) – Federation Christmas Event

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Performance 9.30 am

Dec 14th - Christmas Performance 2.pm

Dec 20<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Carols at Hope Baptist Church- Federation event

Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> Term ends

We will send out more information and details about Christmas events soon.