Literacy



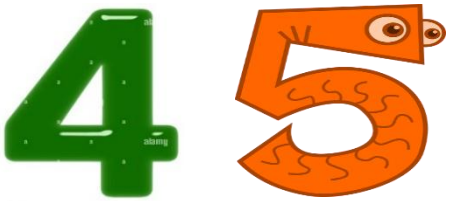
This week in Literacy we will continue to learn how to blend sounds for reading. We will also be recapping previously taught phase 2 sounds:

The sounds we are learning this week are: **z, qu, ch.**
We will also learn the new tricky words: **no, go, to, into.**

We will continue teaching the children to hold their pencil in a tripod grip as the image at the top of the page demonstrates. Please help your child become comfortable with this hold.

As always, we will be enjoying lots of stories and learning traditional Nursery Rhymes and songs throughout the week. Many of our texts this week will be linked to our topic of Diwali.

Maths



This week in Maths, the children will be exploring numbers up to 5. We will be learning to find one more and one less than a given number, as well as exploring how numbers can be made up of smaller parts (composing numbers). Through fun, practical activities, games and the use of objects, the children will develop their understanding of numbers and begin to recognise different ways of making numbers up to 5. You can support your child at home by counting everyday objects, asking “What is one more?” or “What is one less?” and exploring different ways to make numbers, for example, “How many ways can we make 5?”

Understanding the World

I wonder who is celebrating today?



This week, we will continue to focus on autumn celebrations and learn about the Hindu festival of Diwali. We will be thinking about why Diwali is special to some people and will compare the traditional celebrations of Diwali with other celebrations. We will be drawing mehndi patterns, crafting diva lamps and enjoying all the colour, shapes and traditions of Diwali.

It would be great to find out about Diwali together at home and talk about the celebration.