# Junk modelling and loose parts

We will continue to do junk modelling and loose parts play on a weekly basis to support children with their creativity by arranging and rearranging the materials in their own way. If you have any unwanted materials such as **boxes**, **crates**, **sheets**, **pipes**, **log rounds**, **buckets**, **blocks and rocks**, please pass it to a member of staff to be used in the provision.



PE

PE will now be on **Thursday.** Children should come into school in their PE kits.

### **Reminders**

Please ensure clothing is clearly labelled. If your child is using gloves please attach to an elastic and thread through the arms to avoid becoming lost.

Gainsborough Keeps This term our Gainsborough keep focus is on Keep Giving. Children will think about and discuss how to help others in need.



#### **Breakfast club and After school**

If you would like your child to attend a club please complete a form at the main office. Breakfast clubs: 8.00-8.45 After school clubs: 3.45-5.00 Playcentre: 5.00-6.00



**Gainsborough Primary School** Nursery Swans Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a restful half term break and we hope you have enjoyed participating in the Autumn treasure hunt with your child/children over the half term! We will be using the resources to discuss all the seasonal changes in class and explore some Autumn items using our five senses in provision! Nursery team

**Adults Working in Swans** 

Class Teachers: Ms Hoilett Support Staff: Ms Colbert

## **Dates for your Diary**

**Sun5th Nov** Run Gainsborough Run!

Tues 7th Nov Parents evening 3:45-6:30pm

Thurs9th Nov Parents Evening 4:30-6pm

Mon 13th Nov Anti Bullying Week—Odd Socks

Fri 17th Nov Family Friday 8:45-9:30am

Fri 17th Nov Children in Need—wear spots

Mon 20th Nov Individual photos siblings

Mon 20th Nov Road Safety Week

Tues 21st Nov Individual photos non siblings

Fri 1st Dec Family Friday 8:45-9:30am

Fri 8th Dec Christmas Jumper Day

Fri 15th Dec Family Friday 8:45-9:30am

Wed 20th Dec Nursery, Rec, Y1 and 2 Nativity 10am St Mary of Eton

Wed 20th Dec 2pm finish

Thurs 21st Dec INSET Day

### Writing

Our core texts for this term are:

- The leaf man
- The everywhere bear
  Dear Santa



#### Throughout this half

term we will build awareness of sounds in our surrounding environment. We will ask questions and share ideas about a book, including character description and drawing characters from the text. Children will begin to notice repeated refrains in stories and will retell story using story maps and props. We will engage in discussion and make connections to our personal experiences, by expressing our ideas or mark make via a variety of tools.

## Reading book packs

We will be giving out reading book packs to children and families to read at home. This includes activities relevant to the story that supports children's writing and com-



munication skills. Each book packs will be given out **every Friday** and should be returned on the following **Tuesday**.

# Forest school

We are delighted to announce that our first forest school session have started. The sessions will run every Tuesday from **9:15-11:15am**. This will be a great opportunity for your child's learning and holistic development. If you can help us please speak to a member of staff. Children will need welly boots and weather appropriate clothing.

### <u>Maths</u>

In Nursery, children will build on previous learning by comparing objects according to their properties and quantities. They will explore and talk about patterns in the environment. They will use natural resources to create their own patterns. They will also begin to categorise and sort different objects according to their properties and will continue to select a small number of objects

from a group.



# Topic

#### Autumn/people and places/Christmas

In the first three weeks, we will be exploring the Autumn season and discussing the changes in weather, plants and Autumnal animals. We will be experimenting with various sensory Autumn objects and natural resources such as pumpkins, conkers, leaves, and pinecones. In the next three weeks, children will share their own experiences of something they care about and discuss how and why they have to look after something special to them. They will build on their previous learning in Autumn 1 about taking up responsibility for looking after our family, friends, and pets. In the last week, children will develop an understanding of the celebration of Christmas. We will discuss what it represents and how it is celebrated in different families, in different ways.

## Family Fridays

We would like to welcome you into our class to do an activity with your child from 8:45-9.30am every other Friday. Week 1: Glitter Fireworks Painting/ Firework Junk

Modelling

Week 3: Making leaf man/stickman Week 5: Torn Paper Snowflakes

