Welcome back to Term 4.

We have lots of interesting things happening this term. it will be fun to get dressed up for World Book Day, hear about the children's favourite books and meet the author and illustrator Robert Starling. It is always lovely to watch the changing of the seasons and this term we will look forward to watching for signs of spring. We are very excited to be welcoming Wild Woods who will be leading us in forest school sessions.

We have chosen some interesting books as stimulus for our learning, we hope the children tell you all about them!

<u>Literacy</u>

This term we will continue to write simple sentences independently. Our focus will be on segmenting (splitting words into individual sounds) to spell CVC words, using a sound mat, forming our letters correctly and writing some common exception words. We will also look at capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. Our guided reading and writing tasks will be based on what we are learning that week.

Reading Books

Please continue to hear your child read at home and read books aloud to them. We are so proud of the progress the children are making in their reading and we thank you for your continued support at home.

<u>Phonics</u>

This term we will be consolidating our knowledge of phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs eg: ai and igh. We will practise quick recall of these and both reading and writing words with these in. We will look at longer words and review all of the tricky words that we have learned so far. Please continue to use the flashcards and tricky word mats we have sent home.

Dates for your diaries

Friday 4th March- Christ Church World Book Day Celebration Friday 8th April- End of Term 4

If you would like to contact any of the Foundation teachers, please call or email – <u>admin@christchurch.wilts.sch.uk</u> Thank you for your continued support, The Foundation Team

<u>Mathematics</u>

In maths we will explore the composition of numbers to 10. We will be exploring numerical patterns in the number system by counting verbally and investigating number patterns such as odd and even.

We will also explore shapes and patterns.

Physical Development

This term we will be doing ball skills in our PE sessions. This will develop our overall body strength, balance, coordination and agility. We are hoping to be outside for some of these sessions. PE sessions will continue to be on a **Thursday**, so please carry on sending your child to school in their PE kit on Thursdays.



Understanding the World.

Forest school will be on a **Wednesday** afternoon. <u>Please ensure that wellies fit, that</u> your child has a waterproof coat and ideally waterproof trousers. The plan is that each class will do a block of 3 sessions, Hedgehogs will be first, weeks 1-3 then Otters weeks 4-6. We will also be looking at signs of spring, growing and planting our own seeds.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term our focus for PSHEE sessions is 'Healthy Me'. We will be thinking about the ways we can keep our minds and bodies healthy.

Expressive Arts and Design

This term we will be exploring more tools and techniques to make our own creations. We will be carefully drawing some of the things that we see, such as spring flowers and fruit. We will continue to develop our role play areas to support our recount of stories and practising our amazing dancing moves each day!