Happy New Year and welcome to the Spring Term! This term we will be focussing on Winter and Spring and the changes that take place in the world around us. Once Spring arrives, we will be looking for signs of change and growth, planting our own seeds and looking at baby animals. Later on in the term we are hoping to take the children to Allesley Park to look for signs of Spring and hopefully we will be going on another trip which is yet to be decided. At the end of January, we will be turning our home corner into a Chinese restaurant to celebrate Chinese New Year and thinking about other occasions and events the children celebrate.

Our theme for this half term in R.E is God’s Family. We will be visiting All Souls church next week to meet Father Paul and look at the church.

In Maths we will be continuing to recognise numbers, correctly match quantities of objects to numerals and count out objects accurately to 5, 10, 20. We will also be learning about 2D shapes and doing activities on length.

The children have a phonics session each morning. We will be continuing with listening and rhyming activities with a focus on hearing letter sounds at the beginnings of words and learning the sounds that different letters make. We have set up a sound table in Nursery - the children can add things to the table beginning with the letter sounds we are learning each week.

We will continue to have a Nursery Rhyme focus each week as the children have really enjoyed learning and performing the nursery rhymes and this also links in with our phonics activities. For story time each day we will be focussing on traditional fairy tales as well as a wide range of other books including rhyming books by authors such as Julia Donaldson.
If you haven’t already done so, could you please provide a t-shirt and shorts for P.E ready for next week as we have decided to bite the bullet early and start getting the children fully changed for P.E.

Finally, any more donations of tissues will be gratefully received, as the season of coughs, colds and runny noses is in full swing. Remember that we do a Nursery blog on most Fridays where you can read what we have been doing on a weekly basis and what may be coming up in the following week. Thank you for your continuing support.

**Diary Dates**
- **Wednesday 22nd January** - Nursery and Reception class visit to All Souls’ church
- **Monday 24th February – Friday 28th February** – Half Term Break
- **Thursday 5th March** – World Book Day
- **Tuesday 10th March** – Parent’s Evening 3.30 - 7.00pm
- **Wednesday 11th March** – Parent’s Evening 3.30 – 7.00pm
- **Tuesday 17th March** – St. Patrick’s Day Coffee Morning
  - Friday 10th April – Friday 24th April – Easter break

Thank you for all your support.

Nursery Team