We are looking forward to a busy half term, finding out about how we keep ourselves fit and healthy, exploring exercise, hygiene and diet. We will be looking at significant individuals and the contributions that they have made within this field. We are looking forward to inviting you to our Year Two Christmas Production on December 12th. Further details are to follow.

English: We will be using a variety of different sources to find out about the lives of significant individuals. We will be making and using notes to write letters from different perspectives and biographies. We will explore factual sentence types, punctuation and conjunctions. We hope to explore instructional writing—linked to work on The Disgusting Sandwich.

<u>Music:</u> We will be exploring the use of the ICT programme 2Sequence to compose our own musical ideas and we will explore how to keep safe online.



Nurturing

Maths: We will start the half term further consolidating our knowledge, understanding and application of number bonds. We will look at patterns and how number facts are related. We will be using a variety of strategies and jottings to support our developing addition and subtraction calculation skills. We will also be supporting our conceptual understanding with a range of manipulatives. We will be exploring the properties of 3D shapes.

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PSHE: We will be focusing developing our understanding of building and maintaining safer relationships, including those relationships online. We will be discussing hurtful behaviour, resisting pressure, managing secrets and getting help.

Creative Curriculum: Our focus this term will be largely science based. We will be exploring the different ways that humans maintain a healthy lifestyle, finding out about the effects of exercise on our bodies through research and investigation. We will discuss the importance of good hygiene in keeping our bodies healthy, as well as learning how germs spread. We will learn about maintaining a healthy balance in the variety of foods we eat. We will be looking through the lens in our art lessons, studying and creating food-based photography, considering arrangements and colour in our work. Finally, we shall incorporate our history by studying and comparing the work and lives of Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Edith Cavell, discovering their impact on hygienic practices within healthcare.

<u>RE</u> We will continue to explore the Islamic faith by looking at sacred places and what happens in a mosque.

<u>**PE:**</u> We will continue to work with the sports coaches to develop our skills in a variety of simple team sports.

Key Dates:

School Telephone: 0161 432 3944

6th and 9th November—Parental Consultations

17th November - donations for chocolate tombola

24th November - donation for bottle tombola

November - Savoy Cinema Trip TBC

1st December - Christmas Fair

8th December - Christmas Jumper Day and lunch

12th December - Christmas Production

Christmas Party - TBC

<u>Homework:</u> Please continue to read regularly with your child. We will continue with weekly spelling checks, connected to the next unit of the spelling scheme. Each Monday, 8 spelling words and 2 common exception words taken from the weekly learning will be posted. 4 extra words will also be included. We will continue to consolidate number bonds within 20.