



**HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!!!!**

**Drawing Club** – This week we will enjoy the story of Whatever Next! We will think about Baby Bears journey to the moon, designing space rockets and who we might meet on the moon.

**Phonics** –As the children have learnt so many sounds, we will review these sounds, using them to make, read and write words. We will also assess the children to see how many sounds they can recognise and use.

**Maths** –This week, the children will be encouraged to continue representing quantities in different ways, including by showing amounts on 1 hand ‘all at once’. There will also be a new focus on the symbolic representation of number and the children will work on their recognition of numerals to 5, matching numerals to correct quantities in various games. Towards the end of the week, the children will use a number track (with numbers placed in equal spaces in ascending order) to play dice-based games. Playing games with dice will consolidate the children’s understanding of the stable order of numbers and allow them to link the numbers on a track to the quantities on a die.

**Topic** – This terms topic is ‘Once upon a time’. We will be finding time to enjoy lots of various stories and think about our favourite bedtime story. To help us with this, please can we ask that each child brings in their favourite story from home next Monday to be shared in class. As soon as we have shared them, we will send them home.

**Assemblies** – We will begin to join whole school assemblies on a Monday and the Celebration Assembly on a Friday!

**Library** – We are still trying to organise visiting the library on alternated Thursdays. If you are able to volunteer and support us with this then please let us know. The volunteer process is an important one but without enough volunteers we will not be able to visit the library.

**Forest School** –Miss Deacon will continue to lead Forest School and PE sessions on a Monday afternoon. Please can we remind you to provide appropriate layers for this session, especially as we will be coming into colder and possibly wetter weather. The children can keep their Forest School outer layers at school by their peg if needed. Thank you