



Stoneraise School



# Class Beech Newsletter Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term

Dear Parents,

I hope you and your families have had a lovely break! This is going to be another action packed half term before Christmas and if it goes as fast as the last one, it will be here before we know it!

Key questions:

## Who is he and why is he famous?

Our **Topic** for this half term is **Joan Miro**. He was a famous artist who created brilliant paintings, drawings and sculptures that were displayed all over the world. We will be focusing on the history of Miro and answering our key questions by exploring his artwork, his life and what factors such as toys and schooling may have been like when he was a child. Also, we will become artists influenced by Miro's work and develop our own artwork in his style.

In **Science**, we are going to be focusing on **everyday materials**. We will discover the difference between an object and a material, find out the properties of different materials and investigate which materials are more suitable given a set criteria. This is also a great link into our topic, I wonder what materials Miro used on his sculptures?

In **English** our main text will be **Send for a Superhero!** The children will work towards creating their own superhero and writing their own version of the story. In addition to this, our current Read, Write, Inc (RWI) groups will continue and the children will keep progressing through new sounds and apply them to words and sentences.

Our **Maths** will progress from last half term where we worked on addition. Now, we move into subtraction and link the two together to discover fact families. Then, we will shift our focus to some shape work and before Christmas, start to look at working with numbers to 20. We will continue to use resources and a variety of methods to help us such as part whole models, number lines, numicon and objects, both concrete and pictorial.

### Homework

- Please continue to listen to your child read at home and record in their book so that when we read with them, we can make the appropriate book changes!
- Mathematics homework will be assigned every Monday for the week and will be outlined on our Weekly email.
- Continue to practise the RWI resources that are sent home with your child.

Our PE session on a Thursday will be dance this term and we will be learning to move in different ways to the music! CUFC PE days still remain as Tuesday – please ensure suitable clothing as the weather begins to get colder!

If you have any questions, concerns or anything you wish to speak to me about in relation to your child and their learning, then I am always more than happy for you to contact me.

Many thanks,

Miss Samantha Tremble and Mrs Sue Blair.

