



# Donaldson Class

Autumn | 2022 Newsletter



## Upcoming Events

Roald Dahl Day - Sep. 13th

Black History Month - Oct.

Poetry Day - Oct. 6th

Diwali - Oct. 24th

Autumn Walk

Gruffalo Hunt

## Important

We apologise for the appearance of our outdoor area. The good news is that it is being tidied up and extended which will provide more space and opportunities for the children. It should not be long before the children can enjoy this space!

## What we are learning

This half term our topic is 'Who am I?' We are trying new things, exploring our new learning areas and making some new friendships! In our creative area, we will be using our fine motor skills to cut, stick and improve a strong pencil grip. In our other areas, we will be learning to play cooperatively and take care of our own needs.

Our focus texts are:



## Our Values this half term are

Respect & Thankfulness

To appreciate the beauty and bounty of the world around us and to value the families, gifts and opportunities that we have been given.

## PE Kits Days

Please send your child into school in their PE Kit on TUESDAYS.

Depending on the weather, this could be indoor or outdoor so please ensure they have a hoodie too which much meet our uniform requirements (no wording or branding other than the school badge).

## Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a water bottle EVERY DAY!  
We are not permitted to use cups in the classroom to ensure hygiene.

## Phonics

We will be starting our Little Wandle phonics from Phase 2. This is where the children will learn to recognise letters and their corresponding sounds.

Sounds this half term:

s a t p i n m d g o c k c k e u r h b f l

Tricky Words:

I is the

We will update you regularly on our teaching of phonics and how you can support this at home.

## Maths

We are introducing the areas of provision and getting to know the children as mathematicians. We will then be moving onto representing, comparing and looking at the composition of the numbers within 5. Please look for opportunities to practise counting at home, in the outdoors and your local area.

Let your light shine - Matthew 5:15-16  
From Mrs. Skelton, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Peace.