

**Rationale:** The 'run up' to Christmas makes this one of the busiest but most exciting terms, especially as we start our new **Twinkle Bright, Colours Delight** topic and embark upon many rehearsals for their first school Christmas performance. Throughout this topic, the children will be celebrating lots of 'colourful and sparkly' events, including Bonfire Night, the visiting Pantomime and of course our Christmas Nativity. We will also be paying our respects on Remembrance Day through art work, planting and prayer.

**Safety Focus-** To understand instructions to stay safe on Bonfire Night.

### Dates for your diary:

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** - Phonics and Starting Out Bag information meeting for parents at 2pm

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** - Christmas Nativity at 2pm

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December** - Whole School Mass at St Joseph's Church.

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** - Pantomime coming to school.

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** - Finish at 1:30pm for Christmas Holidays.

### How you can help at home

Talk to your child about the content of this topic - read books related to colour and maybe you could pop into your local library and carry out some research of your own.

Their first reading book will be issued this term, we would appreciate all of your support to read daily with your child.

# Twinkle Bright, Colours Delight

### Home Learning:

Using the attached photo frame, please stick a family photograph or photos of people who are special to your child. The children can then decorate and personalise the frame however they wish. We will then use these frames to create a display in the classroom.

### Sparkly Starter:

We will be having a day of colourful explosions on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**. Throughout this day the children will take part in lots of different colourful activities, looking at colour mixing and reactions.

### Fab Finish:

The Christmas performance! This year we are producing our own nativity just for reception children. It will be **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 2:00pm**, we hope you can join us.