



# **GIANTS** Gruffalos & Flying Brooms



**Year 1 – Autumn 2**

**Topic Leaflet**

Using Julia Donaldson books, the children will be using the story lines, characters and illustrations across various subjects this half term.

Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas dinner will be taking place on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

## English

This half term the children will be focusing on books written by Julia Donaldson, particularly 'The Gruffalo' and 'Room on the Broom'.

In class we will be reading these two stories and the children's writing will be based around the characters involved.

### At home:

- Read with your child regularly and help them move up the reading rocket.
- Read or watch online The Gruffalo and Room on the Broom.
- Support your child's learning of their weekly spellings or green and red words from ReadWriteInc.

## Maths

This half term, the children will be focusing on counting numbers up to 50 and learning how many tens and ones are in a number. We will also be halving, doubling and sharing.

### At home:

- Look on tapestry every Friday for the weekly maths challenge. Every child who does it earns a dojo.

**Science:** We will be identifying the different animal groups including; Mammals, Reptiles, Amphibians, Fish and Birds. The children will learn about the features of these animals and design their own animal using the information they have learnt to help them.

**Art:** We will be learning why illustrations are important in books and will be looking at and learning from different well known illustrators.

**RE:** The children will be focusing on journeys. They will learn about the Nativity journey and suggest why people travelled to see Jesus. The children will also focus on journeys that they have made.

**PE:** The focus this half term in PE is Gymnastics. The children will develop their balance and co-ordination abilities.

**Music:** This will focus around the book The Gruffalo. The children will build up to adding a musical score to the story.

**Computing:** The children will be learning all about QR codes and using them to research the author Julia Donaldson. They will also be learning to independently log into Bug Club.