**Dear parents,**

**Below are some of the things your child should be able to do at the end of this half term.**

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| **English:*** Write own text and check for full stops and capital letters in each sentence.
* Read and follow simple instructions.
* Write own captions, lists and simple sentences and re-read them to recognise whether or not they make sense.
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| **Maths:*** Explain method and reasons for calculations orally.
* Begin to explore number bonds **within** 10 e.g.

 5 = 3 + 2  5 = 4 + 1* Use mental strategies to solve simple addition and subtraction problems e.g. splitting numbers into their parts and whole.
* Begin to recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes.
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| **Science:*** Begin to identify and name a variety of common animals that are birds, fish, amphibians, reptiles and mammals.
* Observe and describe weather associated with the seasons.
* Understand which months of the year are in each season.
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| **Topic:** * To compare Australia to the United Kingdom- thinking about similarities and differences.
* To use a programmable toy to describe position and movement.
* To make a push and pull mechanism for a moving Christmas card.
* To balance on small and large parts of my body.
* To study the features of a Christian church - trip to Upminster Methodist Church.
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