## Harlequin Class Topic Letter - Autumn (A): Houses and Homes

## Welcome back...:)

This half term we shall be starting our topic on 'Houses and Homes'

## We plan to...

- Look at different kinds of houses and homes and encourage children to describe what their own home is like
- Build different houses and homes using a variety of construction toys
- Make homes for role-play inside and outdoors and develop an Estate Agents role-play area
- Explore the differences between houses now and long ago and the introduction of electricity into homes (modern appliances)
- To make dolls house /model furniture using reclaimed materials any donations of small boxes, cereal boxes and <u>kitchen towel</u>
  cardboard tubes would be gratefully received !!!
- Think about who helps us to look after our homes e.g plumbers, electricians, window cleaners, as well as jobs we do ourselves such as laying the table for dinner, washing up, dusting and sweeping the floor
- Explore the best shape for the roof of a house (flat or sloped) and experiment with waterproof materials and a watering can to see which shape works best to keep the "rain" out
- Investigate homes in 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and 'The Three Little Pigs' stories

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come and talk to me.

With thanks,

Mrs. Barclay

