

Literacy

In Literacy, children will listen and respond to our key texts. We will begin to answer simple questions about a story. The children will take part in phonics activities which will develop their speaking and listening skills. The children will be encouraged to make marks in different ways and ascribe meaning to these marks. The children will develop awareness of the letters in their names. We will create Christmas lists by cutting pictures from catalogues and making marks to represent writing a letter to Santa.

Maths

This half term, we will continue to consolidate our knowledge on colours and patterns. We will introduce the number of the week to develop our number sense within 5. We will explore with 2-D shapes and begin to describe properties. We will develop an understanding of size, shape and weight by sorting, measuring and weighing presents in Santa's workshop.

Expressive Art and Design



Children will be able to explore a range of resources and decide what to make. They will create diva lamps using clay and explore how to use the resources in the creative area. The children will learn simple songs and clap name syllables to a beat. We will be super creative and make firework paintings using different techniques and tools. We will enjoy role-play at our 'Birthday Party' and in our 'Santa's workshop.'



Understanding the World

The children will learn about different celebrations and begin to compare them. We will develop our understanding of Diwali and how other cultures celebrate. We will learn about different customs through practical activities, such as making firework artwork to celebrate the Bonfire Night, creating diva lamps for Diwali, as well as birthday and Christmas decorations. We will explore our natural environment and use our senses to talk about the changes in seasons.

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Believe and achieve

Physical Development

The children will use lots of different tools to develop their fine and gross motor skills. In the garden, we will model creating assault courses with our large construction to develop our core strength. When we get crafty, we will have fun building our finger muscles by using our fingers to roll, pinch, squeeze, trace and prod playdough and paint. We will develop our gross motor skills by exploring ways to move outside on our play equipment and bikes.

Personal, Social and Emotional

Our big focus this half term is developing our independence skills which will help us put our waterproofs/coats on. We will continue to learn about the different feelings and begin to ask our friends how they are feeling today. The children will think about the differences between themselves and others in relation to their experiences of festivals, celebrations and family traditions.

Communication and Language

The children will continue to develop their vocabulary through our key stories and topics. The children will be encouraged to join in with repeated phrases in our stories. In our key groups, the children will have the opportunity to listen and respond to questions. We will play games like "Simon says and I spy..." to practise looking, listening and following instructions. We will talk about events and how we celebrate them. We will enjoy learning some new songs and rhymes.