

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children have settled well into their classroom and new routines. This half term we will be developing the children's confidence to talk to each other about their own needs, wants and opinions whilst still encouraging good sharing and turn-taking. We will be using JIGSAW PSHE lessons to get the children thinking and asking questions about sharing and problem solving. We will work with the children in groups and individually to solve problems with peers without aggression and continue to use our class listening dog to encourage good sitting, listening and turn-taking on the carpet.

Literacy

The children will revise the phonemes they have learnt in Autumn 1 and then continue to learn new phase 2 phonemes alongside new tricky words including I, and, the, go, to, into, no. They will be reading simple CVC captions in phonics and attempting to write captions in adult led activities for example labelling a cat or dog. The children will receive a postcard from the North Pole and will be writing their very own back to the penguins and Elves!

Maths

The children will be starting to look at power maths and securing their number knowledge of numbers 1-10. We will explore sorting, comparing and time. The children will be using shapes appropriately to make beautiful firework pictures and exploring pattern through celebrating Diwali. They will also explore the early concepts of sharing on 'children in need day' when having our teddy bears picnic, they will have to split raisins equally into two groups to make it fair. We will also be making repeating patterns Christmas wrapping paper to get us in the festive mood!

Physical Development

The children have started handwriting and will continue to practise correctly forming the letters which they have learnt in phonics. We will be giving the children lots of fine motor activities and encouraging the use of one-handed tools to help them move to a thumb and two finger grip. P.E will continue to be on a Wednesday. This half term we will be making Diwali, Firework and Christmas Dances!

Communication and Language

The children will be listening and discussing the story 'Owl Babies'. We will learn about other nocturnal animals and their life cycles. They will be encouraged to maintain attention and concentrate during engaging carpet sessions. The children will learn new rhymes and songs and be encouraged to join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in the rhymes and stories they hear.

F2 Curriculum Overview- Autumn 1

Theme: Our Pets and Vets cont & Christmas



Understanding the World

The children will be finding out and thinking about special times or events for family and friends. They will discuss and share their experiences of Bonfire Night and touch upon the story of Guy Fawkes as well as learn all about the Sikh festival of light Diwali. We will think carefully about Poppies and what they represent and participate in a minute's silence on Remembrance Day. We will be thinking carefully about different locations around the world linked to our learning and comparing and contrasting them.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will create firework and Diwali dances in P.E and use musical instruments to create and perform their own music using Music Express. They will learn new songs and pet poems and perform these in front of the class.

There will be opportunities for children to choose from a range of media to create firework, Diwali and Christmas pictures. The junk modelling will be available for the children to construct with a purpose in mind and they will be encouraged to make homes for Autumn animals to safely hibernate in.

In the roleplay area the children will have opportunities to wrap up warm for winter, make hot chocolate and hang stockings! They may even be busy practising their wrapping skills just in time for Christmas!