



CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Reception - Autumn Term 2

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Celebrations!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful half term and that the children are excited to be back to school. The children have all settled into Reception extremely well and have become used to our daily routines. We have lots of fun planned this half term and we can't wait to share this with you!

This half term our topic is '**Celebrations**'. We have so many things to celebrate this half term across different cultures and beliefs such as Diwali and Christmas around the world. We will also focus on special dates such as Bonfire Night, Remembrance day and Children in Need.



Communication & Language

- Stories and role play—Bonfire Night and Nativity
- Re-enact and retell celebration stories
- Using expression in our voices
- Following 2 and 3 step instructions
- Sharing stories based on our own celebrations

P, S & E Development

- Developing confidence during social situations
 - Discuss our own traditions and celebrations
 - How we grow and change
- ### Physical Development
- Develop pencil grip
 - Letter and number formation
 - PE sessions (exploring/developing movement skills)

Literacy

- Daily phonic sessions
- Reading and exploring topic themed stories
- Christmas lists/letters to Santa
- Exploring our class post office role play area
- Writing cards, tags and invitations
- Christmas Nativity performance

Mathematics

- Representing numbers
- Comparing numbers
- Composition of numbers
- Shapes
- Positional language
- One more or less

Understanding The World

- Our local area
- Exploring weather and light and dark changes
- Baking and exploring foods
- Sending Christmas cards to our local care home
- Exploring natural objects

Expressive Arts & Design

- Firework and sparkler art
- Christmas carols
- Christmas crafts and cards
- Exploring printing and colour mixing
- Recognising different sounds and playing instruments

Dates for the diary

- 11/11 - Parents Evening week
- 15/11 - Children in Need day
- 29/11 - Story time
- 03/12 - Christmas craft afternoon
- 06/12 - Gala Theatre Panto trip
- 10/12 - Visiting Santa PM - Town Hall
- 11/12 - Christmas show PM and evening
- 12/12 - Christmas show AM and evening
- 13/13 - Christmas Lunch and jumper day
- 17/12 - Christmas Party PM

Careers

This half term we will be looking at careers such as firefighters linking to Bonfire night, charity work linking with children in need and postal workers linking with our post office role play. If you think you can help us in these areas please get in touch.

What can you do to help your child?

Homework is set every week each Friday. It should be handed in by Thursday. Your child now has a reading book, please ensure these books are sent into school **daily** so we can read in class too.

Gem Power

We are continuing to focus on our Ruby Power. This is where the children show kindness to each other.

PE

Our P.E session is on a Wednesday morning.

Tapestry

We love to see what you have been up to over a half term/ weekend. The children have been enjoying sharing their pictures on the big screen with the class. Please continue to share your family fun!

After School Clubs

3:15pm - 4:15pm

- Tuesday lunch time - KS1 Choir
- Wednesday - Drawing Club
- Thursday - Lego Club
- Thursday - Crafts Club
- Friday - Board Games

