

This half-term our theme will be Light and Sounds

Week 1: Diwali

Key Text – Little Glow

This week we will be learning about the Hindu festival Diwali.

Week 2: Families

Key Texts – Owl Babies

This week we be learning about our family and reading the book Owl Babies.

Week 3: Sound

Key Text: Handa's Noisy Night

There will be lots of loud sounds and musical instruments this week as we learn about different sounds and how to play musical instruments.

Week 4: Day and Night

Key Text: Good Day, Good Night

This week we learn about the difference between day and night. We will think about what activities we do during the day and what we do at night.

Week 5 and 6: Christmas

Key Text – The Christmas Story

As we all get excited for Christmas, we will learn about the Christian Christmas Story as well as finding out how different people celebrate Christmas.

Week 7: Night Animals

Key Text – How about a night out

Which animals are out and about at night and what do they do?

Literacy

We will continue our daily carpet sessions teaching the children how to be good listeners. Our focus for this half-term we be learning to name sounds, beginning to orally blend and spotting words that rhyme.

Handwriting

We will be developing our fine motor skills by developing the muscles in our hands and fingers, using one-handed equipment and tools such as scissors and paintbrushes. We will finish the half term by making hand responses to music.

Oracy

Physical: to begin to maintain eye contact with a familiar adult.

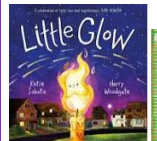
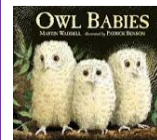
Linguistic: to speak in a short sentence consisting of 3 or 4 words.

Linguistic: to express their feelings using words as well as actions.

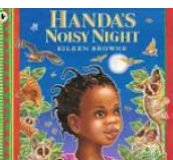
Social and Emotional: take turns in a conversation with a peer.

Storytime

Every day the children will enjoy storytime with their teacher. Listening to stories helps young children to build an extensive vocabulary as well as learn to love books and reading. Each week your child will bring home a book of their choice. Please spend time sharing this book as well as other books you have at home.



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PSHE

This half-term we will be learning about respecting ourselves and others.

We will learn about asking for permission in different situations such as asking to use a toy or give a friend a hug. We will then learn about knowing when another child is upset or angry and understanding why they may be feeling that way. We will continue to learn about the importance of saying please and thank you clearly and in different situations.

Throughout the nursery day we continually focus on all the children developing their personal, social and emotional development by reacting to learning opportunities as they arise.

Focus Nursery Rhymes

Week 1: 1,2,3,4,5 Once I caught a fish alive

Week 2: Five Little Ducks

Week 3: Hickory Dickory Dock

Week 4: Old McDonald

Week 5: Five Little Monkeys

Week 6: Christmas Nativity Songs

Week 7: Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Maths

We have daily Maths Meetings where we sing, 'Days of the week'. Each day we will say what the day and date is. We will also talk about the weather.

During our maths lessons we be learning how to count objects accurately, practise counting each object once and only once. We will be learning how to know when groups have equal amounts of objects. We will be subitising to 3 and comparing groups of up to 3. We will learn that we have 5 fingers on one hand and begin to recognise numbers to 5. We will also be learning about circles and triangles, learning to recognise them in the environment and describe how many sides and corners they have.

How to help:

- Practise counting forwards and backwards to 5.
- Practise counting objects.
- Find shapes in the environment and talk about how many sides and corners that they have.

Science – Light, Sounds, Nocturnal Animals

Light and Sound – Identifying sources of light and sound, knowing the difference between day and night.

Animals – Knowing what a nocturnal animal is and naming some nocturnal animals

Geography – Seasonal Changes

Knowing the seasons summer, autumn and winter. Identifying some changes between seasons.

RE – What times are special and why?

Christmas and Diwali

Computing – Creating Media

Mark and pattern making

Art – Jackson Pollock

Learning about Jackson Pollock, using a paintbrush to flick paint, creating a painting based on Jackson Pollock.

Music - Singing

Joining in with songs and rhymes, adding actions to words.

Physical Development – Locomotion

Running confidently, crawling, balancing, riding scooters, trikes and balance bikes, climbing steps and stairs.

How to help at home:

Continue to read your child lots of books and stories. Making this part of their bedtime routine is a great way to end the day. Explore different lights and sounds inside and outside. What sources of light and sound can you find? Can you change them?

UPCOMING EVENTS

Outdoor Learning:

Week Beginning: 27th September 2024

Week Beginning: 14th October 2024

Odd Socks Day: Tuesday 12th November 2024

Share a book open door: Friday 15th November

Christmas Fair: Wednesday 27th November 3pm – 4.30pm

Nursery Nativity Performance: Tuesday 10th December 2.15pm, Wednesday 11th December 2.15pm and Thursday 12th December 9.15am

Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 12th December