Nursery - Term 2

Big Bang:

Birthday party in the home corner & voice sounds pass the parcel.



PE – Friday

Please can the children wear their PE top the colour of their house and tracksuit bottoms. Earrings to be removed.



Our Learning Overview

Celebrations & Traditions

Personal, Social & Emotional Development	As part of our Celebrations topic, children will explore how families and communities celebrate special occasions in different ways. Through discussions, role play and shared activities, children will develop an understanding and respect for different traditions. We will encourage kindness, sharing and turn-taking, while helping children to recognise and talk about their feelings and develop a sense of belonging.
Physical Development	Children will develop their movement, coordination and physical skills through dance, action songs and celebration-themed activities. Fine motor skills will be strengthened through using cutters in playdough, threading, cutting, decorating and exploring loose parts. Outdoor activities, such as delivering presents, pulling sleds and transporting large objects, will encourage whole-body movement and teamwork.
Communication & Language	Throughout the topic, children will have opportunities to talk about special occasions, family traditions and celebrations that are important to them. We will encourage children to share their experiences, listen to others and develop their confidence in speaking and communicating. Through stories, songs, rhymes and imaginative play, children will learn and use new vocabulary linked to different celebrations.
Literacy	Children will enjoy a range of celebration-themed stories, songs and rhymes, joining in with repeated phrases and exploring rhyming words. Through storytelling, props and imaginative play, they will develop their listening skills and early awareness of sounds. We will also encourage meaningful mark making through activities such as creating cards, invitations, lists and labels linked to different celebrations.

Key Texts

Don't wake the bear hare.

We're going to a birthday party

Full, full, full of love

Binny's Diwali

That's not my reindeer

Key dates:

World Nursery Rhyme Week – 9th – 13th November

Parents evening – Wednesday 18th & Thursday 19th November

Mathematics	In maths, children will develop their understanding of numbers 1, 2 and 3 through songs, stories, games and practical activities. They will practise counting objects, sounds and actions, representing numbers on their fingers and recognising small groups without counting. Children will also explore shapes and space through building and arranging objects, using positional language such as 'in', 'on', 'under' and 'behind'. They will begin to describe shapes using everyday words such as 'round', 'pointy', 'curvy' and 'flat'.
Understanding of the World	Children will explore different celebrations and family traditions, learning about special occasions such as Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas through stories, discussions and practical activities. We will investigate light and dark, exploring different sources of light and how they are used during celebrations. Children will also observe changes in the natural world as we move into winter, noticing differences in the weather, trees and our surroundings.
Expressive Arts and Design	Children will explore a variety of music, dance, colours and materials linked to different celebrations. Through festive and cultural music, singing and movement, they will develop their creativity and self-expression. Children will enjoy creative activities such as snowflake printing, making Rangoli patterns using loose parts, and creating cards and decorations.

Planet Ice trip - Monday 23rd of November

Nursery Christmas Performance – 9th December at 11.00am (PM only children to attend the concert and then return for their afternoon session at 12.15)

Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 10th December

Last day of Term – Friday 18th December





