



Autumn 2



Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Creative Curriculum

Our topic this half term is 'Lets Celebrate!'

We shall be finding out about lots of different celebrations including Halloween, Bodhi Day, Bonfire Night, Hanukkah and Christmas.

We have asked the children how they would like to explore these celebrations and we have had some wonderful contributions. We have decided to experience many different celebrations by taking part in some. We will be finding out who celebrates certain festivals and days, what they do and why it is important to them. We will also be watching videos, sharing photographs and speaking about our own first hand experiences. If you have any celebration photographs that you would like to share please send them in a named envelope.

In our creative area we shall we be using a range of resources to create firework pictures, cards, invitations and lots more!



Communication, Language & Literacy

This half term the children will continue to have Read, Write, Inc. lessons in order to develop their reading and comprehension skills. New letter sounds and formation rhymes will be introduced on a daily basis. The children will have access to a variety of writing provision and will be encouraged to independently write using strategies that have been taught during our Phonics lessons. We will be continuing to share daily stories and use the reading resources, which we have within our provision. This will help to develop the children's passion for reading!

How you can help at home

Please support your child by encouraging them to write their own name and CVC words and captions. You can increase your child's confidence and vocabulary by having regular discussions with them. Additionally you can help us to promote the love of reading by sharing stories with them.



Please feel free to send in your child's favourite story book for us to share with the class.

Physical Development

In UFS we will continuing to promote physical development by supporting children to independently put on and fasten coats, wetsuits and shoes. Please encourage children to get dressed/ undressed independently at home. We will be continuing to speak about healthy balanced lifestyle including trying a range of food and speaking about the importance of exercise. We also take part in Yoga sessions every Friday.



Mathematical Development

This half term in Maths we will be beginning to explore adding and subtraction using objects and Numicon. We will begin by using two groups of objects and combining the groups before counting them altogether. We will also be looking at simple ways to measure time and speaking about what time of day we do certain things e.g. eat breakfast, go to bed, play outside. We shall also be looking at weight and comparing using measurement vocabulary.

How you can help at home

Please encourage your child to count everyday objects around the house. Support them to independently add two single digit numbers together by using objects such as toys, pasta, pens etc. Ask children to describe the weight of objects around the home. Which one is heavier? Which one is the lightest?



Enrichment

- This half term we shall be taking a walk to the local church.
- Forest school activities linked to topic

Important Dates & Information

- Christmas Inspire Session 30.11.17 2:00pm
- Christmas Performance 6.12.17 9:30am & 2:00pm
- Christmas Party Day 7.12.17
- Christmas Fair 8.12.17

Miss Woods, Miss Swan, Mrs Tennant, Mrs Hutchinson & Mrs McDonald