

This half term, children will be able to share customs and religions practised at home. We will be exploring a variety of religious festivals that are coming up at this time of year, including: Diwali, The Winter Solstice, Bohdi Day, Hannukah & Christmas. The children will be taking part in various activities that aim to look at the origin stories of these festivals and how families celebrate

Physical Development

Children will be learning how to make co-ordinated movements during physic-gym. In P.E. children will be learning basic physical skills such as running, jumping, catching, throwing, hopping etc as well using dance to learn about religious festivals. We will be working on our pencil grip through Busy Finger activities and beginning to copy or write letters we have learning during Phonics.

Maths

We will be learning to count and recognise numbers up to 20. We will be learning to identify some common 2D shapes and discuss their properties. We will be looking at size and comparing objects using key vocabulary such as tiny, small, medium, large, big etc. We will be using scales to help identify objects that are heavy and light.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

We will be taking a closer look at the similarities and differences of our home cultures and practises and celebrating what makes us special. We will be looking at and celebrating the cultural diversity of Britain. We will be learning to be more confident and independent using the resources available during child-initiated learning time.

Let's Celebrate!
(End of term assessments)

Communication & Language

We will be developing our communication through speaking and listening activities that take place in class during Carpet Time and Snack Time. Through Topic Talk, we will be learning new vocabulary related to religious festivals and how to retell stories in the correct order, picking up on key characters and events. Through Guided Reading, we will be learning how to use pictures to help us tell a story.

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Literacy

We will be consolidating our learning of the Phase 2 phonic sounds and tricky words. We will use these sounds to help us read CVC words, captions and short sentences. We will also be using our phonic knowledge to sound out and write CVC words. Through Guided Reading, we will be learning how to use pictures to help us tell a story.

Understanding of the World

We will be learning about a variety of different cultures and communities through examining their religious festivals. We will be able to share our experiences from home and celebrate our uniqueness. We will look at nature and changes over time, commenting on how our natural world changes through the weather and seasons.

Expressive Arts & Design

We will explore the use of drama and dance to help retell stories. We will be using a variety of materials and techniques to create decorations and representations for each festival. We will strengthen our imagination and storytelling skills through creating a story or narrative that is inspired by a picture.