



Let's Celebrate! Reception Newsletter Autumn 2 2024



Communication and Language (CL)

We will be talking about different celebrations and how they are important to different people. We will be talking about our own experiences and comparing them to other communities.

Literacy (L)

This is a very busy topic and we will be writing Christmas lists, letters to Santa, cards for celebrations and lots of other things. We will continue to do phase 2/3 phonics with a focus on blending sounds to make words. Your support with sharing reading books is really valued. Please continue to record your comments in the reading log and practise the tricky words sent home with your child.

Understanding the World (UW)

We will be finding out about festivals and how they are celebrated, through stories and books and talking about festivals we have celebrated at home.

We will be going to the ICT suite every week to use a range of programs on the computers and using the IWB in class too.

Personal Social Emotional Development

In Circle time we will be discussing how we celebrate different festivals - food, clothes, presents, music, routines etc. We will be talking about how we feel during different celebrations. If you have any photos of your child at a celebration we would love to put them on our class display.

Physical Development (PD)

This half term we will have dance sessions with Mrs Buchanan every Wednesday. The children are doing really well with dressing independently, please encourage them to practise at home too. We will be doing lots of fine motor activities too and learning how to hold writing tools and form our letters correctly.

Expressive Art and Design (EAD)

We have lots of exciting, creative activities planned based on different celebrations. We will be learning and singing Christmas songs, so expect lots of singing at home!

Mathematics (M)

In Number we will continue to subitise to 5, count and recognize numbers to 10 and beyond. We will be finding 1 more and 1 less and adding and subtracting objects to find a total.

In Shape, Space and Measures we will be learning about measuring length and weight. We will be thinking about time, looking at activities that we do during the day and at night.

Class Fund

Thank you to all those parents who contributed to class fund last half term. With this money we were able to provide lots of exciting experiences in our 'Marvellous Me' topic.

This half term class fund will be £7. It really does help us to enhance the curriculum and provide more opportunities for our children. Many thanks in advance.



Whoops-A-Daisy Angel Nativity

We will be starting our rehearsals for our Christmas nativity. We will be in touch soon with lines and costume details! More details to follow!

Dates for the Diary

Parents evenings - Monday 4th & Thursday 7th November

Nursery rhyme dress up day 11th November

Dress down days - 29th November (bottle)

22nd November (chocolate)

Vision screening - 14th November

Children in Need Day - 15th November

Cinema visit - 25th or 26th November TBC

Flu vaccinations - 27th November

Christmas Fair - Friday 29th November

Reception Nativity - Tuesday 3rd December 9.30 or 2.30. More details to follow.

Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day - 6th December

Christmas party - 18th or 19th December

Little Wandle books

This week we have completed our phonics assessments and the books sent home next Friday will be matched to your child's phonic ability. Little Wandle books **must** be returned on a Monday so that another group can use it for their shared reading in school.