

Learning Stations

(Things you could do at home too 😊)

- Build a rocket using junk modelling materials.
- Make a firework picture using glitter, paint, crayons, tissue paper (anything you like really!).
- Create a rangoli pattern using beads or pasta.
- Explore firework sounds using instruments.
- Use fine lines to create a mehndi pattern.
- Send a card to someone to help them celebrate something.

For the next week of this term, we will be learning all about fireworks and festivals, celebrations and special days.

The children will have project sessions which we will use to discuss events children celebrate, special days in their lives, as well as learning about specific celebrations or special days such as Diwali, Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day.

In Maths, the children will explore numbers 1 to 10; counting forwards and backwards, counting objects and counting using 5 and 10 frames. We will soon be starting learning phonics in groups rather than as a whole class. The children will continue to learn single letter sounds. They will also learn to orally blend and learn how to use this skill to blend sounds to read.

Question and Discussion Time

- What is a celebration?
- Why do we celebrate?
- What special days do you celebrate?
- What is Diwali?
- How is Diwali celebrated?
- Why do we learn about Remembrance Day?
- What can you tell me about Bonfire Night?



Autumn 2 Fireworks and Festivals



PE

Squirrels: Monday

Hedgehogs: Tuesday

We have hall slots on the above days from Monday 7th November.

Your child does not need a PE kit until January. We will be using our hall slots to get used to the hall and in a couple of weeks we will be using the hall slots for some very special rehearsals!!! 😊

Key objectives we will develop during this project include teaching the children in Reception to:

- Use new vocabulary throughout their learning and play.
- Talk about how they are feeling and begin to consider the feelings of others.
- Have confidence to try new activities.
- Continue to develop friendships.
- Hold scissors correctly and cut along straight and zigzagged lines.
- Accurately draw lines, circles and shapes to draw pictures.
- Blend sounds to read words.
- Write words and labels using the sounds taught so far.
- Find one more and one less than a given number.
- Compare quantities.
- Talk about how Diwali is celebrated.
- Know that people around the world celebrate different festivals.
- Use colours in artwork for particular purposes.
- Explore different techniques for joining materials.

Seesaw and Tapestry

Each week, on Seesaw, we will communicate our specific weekly learning for Phonics and Maths. We will also share a Big Question to discuss which will help your child start to think about our Project Learning for the following week.

We will also use Seesaw to communicate any messages.

Tapestry will be used for key personal achievements for your child and any next steps you can practise at home.

Key Vocabulary

Time, year, festival, celebrate, same, different, similar, special, Diwali, Festival of Lights, Hindu, mehndi, rangoli, Firework, bonfire, bang, crash, whizz, pop, Remembrance, grateful, silence.