

Question and Discussion Time

What is a celebration?

Why do we celebrate?

What special days do you celebrate?

How do you celebrate these?

What is Diwali?

How is Diwali celebrated?

Why do we learn about Remembrance Day?

What can you tell me about Bonfire Night?

For the first couple of weeks of Autumn 2, 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 also learn how to find more or less than a given number and compare quantities. We will soon be starting learning phonics in groups rather than as a whole class and we will communicate this information with you on Seesaw soon. 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. The children will also start to write short, simple words.

Notices

Friday: Library – please return your library book each week so that you can choose a new one!

PE

Squirrels: Monday
Hedgehogs: Tuesday

We have hall slots on the above days from Monday 6th 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!!! 😊

Texts Ideas

We will be using some of these as our Story Time texts

Can't You Sleep Little Bear – Martin Waddell

Little Glow – Katie Sahota

How to Catch a Star – Oliver Jeffers

First Festivals: Diwali



Autumn 2 Fireworks and Festivals



What will we learn?

Children will learn how festivals are celebrated.
Children will learn how Hindus celebrate Diwali.
Children will learn why Remembrance Day is important.
Children will learn how celebrations are used to help people to remember things that are important
Children will learn how fireworks are used to celebrate different festivals.
Children will learn how people enjoy celebrating together as a community.
Children will learn how to use new vocabulary throughout their learning and play.
Children will learn how to talk about how they are feeling and begin to consider the feelings of others.
Children will develop their skills to hold scissors correctly and cut along straight and zigzagged lines.
Children will learn how to use colours in artwork for particular purposes.
Children will learn to explore different techniques for joining materials.



Key Vocabulary

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

Seesaw

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 talk about their learning with you at home.

We will also use Seesaw to communicate any messages.

Remember, we love to hear about learning at home so feel free to share with us on the door or email in!