

Nursery Curriculum Information Autumn Term



Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term, our topic is 'Special Times'

Below we have outlined what we will be covering in each area of the Foundation Stage $\it Curriculum$.

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Personal, Social and Emotional Development	 Developing our relationships with other children and staff in Nursery. Know how to behave in nursery and to continue to settle into our nursery routines. Become more confident within our nursery environment.
Communication and Language	 Develop our use of words related to our topic, 'Special Times'. Extend our attention span. Take part in class or small group discussions. Talking about how we celebrate Christmas and other festivals at home and with our families. Listening to the Christmas story and discussing this. Listening to the story of Rama and Sita.
Physical Development	 Making models and small objects from clay and play dough. Using different tools to effect changes to materials, e.g. scissors modelling tools, etc. Morning nursery taking part in PE sessions with Mr Kelly.
Literacy	 Writing a letter to Santa. Writing Christmas Cards. Letters and Sounds games within Phase 1. 'Jolly Phonic' sessions.
Mathematics	 Counting beyond 10. Recognising and linking numbers to a set for '1', '2', '3', '4', '5'. Some children ordering numbers 1-5. Counting objects from a larger set and knowing to stop at the given number Finding out about shapes and being able to talk about some of their properties (number of sides, flat/curved sides, etc).
Understanding the World	 Finding out about different festivals and different cultures such as Divali and Christmas and knowing about some of the traditions associated with these festivals. Talking about and observing changes that take place during the winter season. Using the computer to play simple games.
Expressive Arts and Design	 Lots of practising for and performing our Christmas play. Creating cards and decorations for Christmas. Creating Diva lamps from clay to celebrate Divali. Acting out the Nativity story with puppets and role play. Making bonfire night pictures.