

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Share a greeting or smile with their friends. Making good choices, cooperating with friends. Circle time-Safety on Fireworks night. Children are discussing being helpful at home during Advent.

Communication and Language

Show and tell – weekly time of sharing something from home. Role play-light and dark tent, card/ gift shop, post office, stable, Santa's workshop.Phase 1 of Letters and Sounds- voice sounds, environmental sounds, rhyming, alliteration etc.Sharing stories, rhymes, singing.Learning songs for Christmas concert.

Physical Development

Fine Motor- rangoli patterns. Make Divali candle holder from clay. Wrap presents.Firework dance. Following instructions/ negotiating space. Form different body shapes on mats in the Hall. Learn how to use a pair of scissors safely and practise cutting skills.

Literacy

Books: Owl babies, Funny bones, Owl who was afraid of the dark, A dark, dark tale etc. Nonfiction books about nocturnal animals. Learning to write their names. Write a Christmas card. Label presents. Birthday card for Jesus. Writing invitations to Purple Party and Foundation Stage Nativity.

Religious Education

We have learnt about Baptism and how we are welcomed into the church family. We will have a Purple Party to celebrate Advent, (this is an opportunity for you to come into nursery and share your child's learning journey). We will learn all about the birth of baby Jesus.

Understanding of the World

ICT- fireworks pictures. Autumn- look at the changes around us. Diwali- learn about the festival of light. Discuss light sources- batteries, bulbs etc. Making dark dens, using torches, looking at shadows. Investigate shiny objects. Nocturnal animals/ hibernation.Post a Christmas card- talk about the journey of a letter. Be aware of some features of the celebration of Christmas. Discuss how Christmas is celebrated in our families.

Expressive Arts and Design

Printed fireworks pictures. Rangoli patterns from chalk and coloured sand- outside, large scale. Make and decorate a Divali candle holder from clay. Collage owl masks, Christmas craft day. Making Christmas cards and party hats. Painting on foil. Colour mixing: darker/ lighter.

Maths

Measuring strips of paper to make paper chains.Repeating pattern wrapping paper-printing with shapes.Introduction of 3D shapes, names and properties; sort presents according to their shape. Role-play area – card shop and post office,(money/size/shape). Days of week song. One more/ less, comparing size, which group of items has more or less, which number comes before or after recognition of numbers.



Nursery

Autumn term 2

2016 Curriculum Overview 'Light and Dark'

Please note the activities listed are potential activities- we follow the ideas and interests of the children, so may be subject to change