

### Understanding the World

#### Celebrations

Show interested in different periods of time.  
Talk about how my family celebrates an event.  
Talk about past and present events in my life  
Talk about differences and similarities between different religions and share beliefs.  
Recognise different celebrations from around the world.  
Understanding why we have celebrations.  
The Christmas story

### Expressive Arts and Design

Fireworks pictures – chalk blowing, splatter paintings, marble painting, rolling a ball in paint.  
To begin to paint with accuracy and colour mix.  
To play long and short sounds using percussion instruments.  
Making cards for different celebrations  
Making a diva lamp candle holder  
Christmas craft

### Personal, Social and Emotional

Dress independently - including gloves and zips on coats.  
I can share how I feel when I celebrate with my family.  
To develop patience for when needs are not immediately met.  
The Zones of Regulation  
Nurture and maintain new friendships

## Celebrations

**Maisie's birthday**

**Diwali, Celebrations around the world**

**The Christmas Story**

### Physical Development

To be able to choose gross motor movements to pretend to be fireworks.  
To practise sound recognition and write the sounds with the correct formation.  
To use scissors using thumb and fingers and experiment cutting paper.  
Forest school.  
Correct letter formation and pencil grip to be developed.

### Literacy

Recognising and writing name.  
Blend CV and CVC words when reading.  
Recognise rhyming words within a poem.  
Using the sounds learned to independently write invitations, lists and labels.  
Retell a Narrative  
Nursery rhymes and weekly fluency tasks to develop phonemic awareness.  
Listening walks.

### Maths

Represent numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 in different ways.  
Use the correct vocabulary to compare quantities.  
Recognise a different array of dot patterns without counting (subitising)  
To solve real world mathematical problems with number up to 5  
Use of our Mastering number screen using numberblocks to support composition.

Thank you from Reception

The children have all settled in so beautifully. We are so proud of them – Thank you for your support in aiding their successful transition into school.

The school's Christian value for this half term is: **Achievement of Excellence**

A reminder that our PE day is **Wednesday**. Please make sure that your child comes to school in their PE kit with jewellery removed.

Forest School is on a **Wednesday**. Please make sure that your child has a warm coat, gloves and hats on colder days.

Reading - Please record any reading in your child's reading record book. Please check Seesaw regularly for phonics ideas to help improve your child's reading. We will have a reading workshop to explain our reading process, with hints and tips for teaching your child to read – Information for this has been sent to you for 6<sup>th</sup> November 230pm in the hall.

Dates:

Friday October 25th **INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED**

Monday October 28 to Friday 1st November **HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED**

Monday November 4th Return to school

Wednesday November 6th 2:30pm-3:00pm Reception Year Reading Workshop - all Reception parents & carers welcome

Wednesday November 6th 3:10pm-4:00pm Open Book - Come and see your child's work in their classroom

Thursday November 7th Nasal Flu vaccinations - whole school - see email

Friday November 15th Children In Need - details tbc

Friday November 15th FoSPS pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale details tbc

Thursday November 21st Pre-Loved Library Book Sale - during school day

Friday November 22nd Non-uniform day in exchange for tombola sweets (no nuts please)

Wednesday November 27th 4:00pm-5:00pm Reception, Yr 1 and Yr 2 School disco (see email. places must be booked online)

Friday November 29th 3:30pm-5:15pm Christmas Fair

Friday November 29th Whole School Christmas themed non-uniform day in exchange for bottles for the Christmas Fair

Wednesday December 11th 2:00pm-3:00pm Bumblebee & Caterpillar Nativity

Thursday December 12th 2:00pm-3:00pm Bumblebee & Caterpillar Nativity

Monday December 16th 6:00pm-7:00pm Family Christingle Service at St Pauls Church all welcome

Thursday December 19th Christmas Dinner wear your Christmas jumpers & hats

**Friday December 20th Last day of Autumn Term school ends at 12.15**

**Tuesday January 7th 2025 Return to school**

Please be sure to check our live calendar for updates, which can be found on the school website.

Thank you, Miss Reddick and Mrs McCallum