

Vocabulary

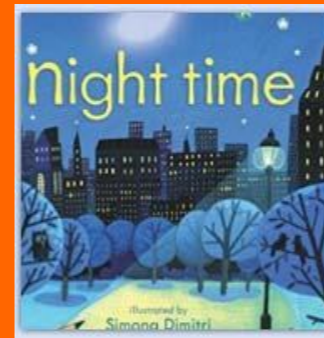
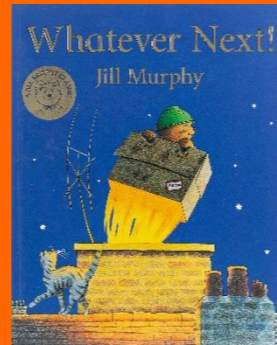
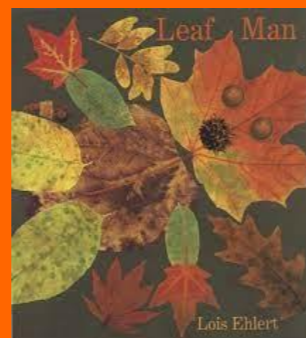
Nativity - Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Donkey, Inn Keeper

Nocturnal - animals that come out in the night time

Astronauts - specially training people who travel into space

Autumn - season, the fall

Light and Dark Let's Celebrate



Writing

Children will start to learn how to write their name, using correct letter formations. Children will write words and labels of the taught sounds.

The children will write Christmas cards in our continuous provision alongside labelling different topical words.

Phonics and Reading

We will introduce Poetry Basket. Children will learn a wide range of poems and actions - Chop, Chop, Pointy Hat, Five Little Pumpkins, Wise Old Owl, Falling Apples, Breezy Weather.

The children will be continuing with the ESL Phonics program daily teaching.

Curriculum Knowledge

Our topic this half term is "Light and Dark, Let's Celebrate". In this topic we will talk about all light sources such as Fireworks, moon, sun, stars. We will also look at times that we celebrate with our families and friends. This half term we will go on an autumn walk in our local area and this will support our understating of seasons and change of weather.

We will look at 'Celebrating Differences'. Identifying what makes us all special. How our friends are special to us and how we can be kind to others. We will be implementing the kindness jar in class.

We will continue with Mood monsters worried, tired, excited. Continue to develop new vocabulary linked to emotions and conversation skills during circle time.

Expressive Art and Design

The children will have a weekly music lesson and we will be singing nursery rhymes and songs, as well as moving to music daily too.

The children will be taking part in our nativity songs and dance.

Rangoli art work will be explored.

Key texts

Leaf man By Lois Ehlert

Kindness Grows By Britta Teckentrup

Whatever Next by Jill Murphy

Owl babies By Martin Waddell

Understanding of the World

• People, Culture and Communities

We will be exploring local area. Visiting the big field (local field trip). We will look at a program called 'Goggle maps' to show where the school. The children will learn about other celebrations such as exploring the festival of Diwali and light.

• Past and Present

Timeline /person/ event to be added

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The children will recognise Tim Peak and Neil Armstrong, astronauts who has and have been to space.

The children will discuss remembrance day. The children will take part in a whole school service and create art work.

• The Natural World

The children will have the opportunities to take note and observe the changes around the local area. Changes in leaves, tree, flowers and the clothes we need as the days become cooler.

We will explore night and day animals... learning new vocab such as Nocturnal.

Physical Development

The children will take part in a weekly PE lesson as well as using our outdoor area to engage in physical activities. We will also focus on gross and fine motor skills daily, through activities such as playdough, painting and Squiggle Wiggle activities.

Maths

Our focus in maths this half term will be on developing awareness of number. They will learn to represent numbers 0-5. We will be using Numberblocks and Numicom alongside natural resources. The children will learn about the composition of number 0-5.