

Winter Festivals



Maths:

Our units this half term are Addition and Subtraction and shape A detailed breakdown of the learning objectives we will cover this half term can be found [here](#).

Science:

In this unit, 'Uses of Everyday Materials' we will look at the uses of everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, glass, brick, paper and cardboard. We will go on to compare the suitability of different everyday materials for different purposes.

RE:

Why does Christmas matter to Christians? In this unit, children will be learning to:

- Give a clear, simple account of the story of Jesus' birth and why Jesus is important for Christians.
- Give examples of ways in which Christians use the story of the Nativity to guide their beliefs and actions at Christmas.
- Think, talk and ask questions about Christmas for people who are Christians and for people who are not.
- Decide what they personally have to be thankful for, giving reasons for their ideas.

English:

We will be reading 'Sparks in the Sky' and writing acrostic poems based on fireworks night. We will be reading 'Dipal's Diwali' and will be writing a non-chronological report about how people celebrate Diwali. As we get nearer to Christmas, we will also be writing captions to Christmas Pictures.

Art:

In art we will be learning about portraits. We will be:

- Using different materials and techniques to make their own portraits.
- Exploring the work of Pablo Picasso, Paul Klee, Henri Matisse and Andy Warhol, and create artwork inspired by them
- Also we will be doing Christmas Crafts!

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P.E.

In PE with Mr Cotterill we will be focusing on Multi-skills. We will be working on:

- Games involving skills challenges.
- Developing agility, balance and co-ordination skills.
- Stopping and retrieving

In dance with Miss Reeve we will be focusing on dance and movement. We will be working on:

- How dance can be used to communicate ideas, through movement, gesture and expression.
- Children acting and reacting with partners and in groups as well as working on their own to retell the story of the Gunpowder Plot.
- They dance in different formations and structures, including in unison and canon.

PSHE:

In PSHE the children will identify that they belong to various groups and communities and ways in which they contribute positively to these. In this unit, children learn about community, being good neighbours and looking after the environment. They will also learn about Britain, what it means to be British, about diversity and the importance of celebrating and being respectful of our differences.

ICT:

In ICT we will be learning to:

- Use safe search engines
- Makes notes in MS Word
- Copy, paste, pictures from the internet
- Create a poster in MS Word
- Use publisher to make Christmas Calenders
- Create a winter wonderland of things to do in the holidays.

Music:

In this unit, the Musical Spotlight is 'Focus On Dynamics and Tempo'. We will be particularly thinking about dynamics and tempo while working implicitly with all the other Foundational Elements of Music.

More information about learning covered in Music lessons can be found [here](#).



We will be reading 'Sparks in the Sky' and 'Dipal's Diwali'



We will go on a trip to Kea Church to do a Christmas Workshop.



We will be learning about how different cultures celebrate festivals during Winter.