



We have loved seeing your children settle into Nursery and we will continue to support them with this as we start a new half term. This half term our topic is called: Traditional Tales and Winter Celebrations. We will be exploring a wide range of stories and celebrating Diwali and Christmas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be continuing to encourage independent and self help skills across the term and supporting the children with forming friendships with their peers. We will also be continuing to practise putting on our coats, jumpers and shoes

Physical Development

We will be taking part in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities to support gross motor skills. Finger gym activities will encourage and support correct pencil control and grip. We will be having weekly PE sessions and daily access to outdoor provision. We will be learning how to kick, roll, chase and collect a ball with control.

Communication and Language

This half term we will be celebrating Nursery Rhyme Week and singing lots of songs. The children will be encouraged to join in with the rhymes and actions. We have a 'Story of the Week' and we will be using language to talk about what happens in familiar stories.

Mathematics

We will be practising to count objects to 5 carefully. We will be continuing to compare small sets of objects encouraging the children to use language of more and less. Throughout our provision, the children will be encouraged to talk about construction models they have made using language of size.

Literacy

The children will have various opportunities to listen to a wide range of stories linked to our topic. This half term we will be looking at some traditional tale stories and looking carefully at the illustrations in the story encouraging children to talk about what they can see. We will also be practising to trace and copy patterns.

Understanding the World

We will be continuing to explore changes in Weather and the children will be encouraged to use simple adjectives to describe changes and materials. We are really looking forward to celebrating Diwali and Christmas.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will have the opportunity to make marks using a wide range of tools. We will be exploring colours and colour mixing with paints. We will be using musical instruments to express their ideas and feelings. The children will have access to our Traditional Tales Cottage to enable them to use small world props to retell simple stories. We are also setting up a dressing up area as the children have really enjoyed using the costumes last half term.

Nursery Team...



Miss Hope
Nursery
Teacher



Miss Choudry
Teaching
Assistant



Miss Shaw
Teaching
Assistant



Miss Giles
Teaching
Assistant



Mrs Crawford
Teaching
Assistant

A few reminders:

- ◆ Children can bring a small plastic water bottle to Nursery, clearly labelled and containing water only.
- ◆ Please ensure uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.
- ◆ Keep up to date with our story and song of the week on our school website.
- ◆ We love to share stories in school so if your child has a favourite story at home that is linked to our topic this half term and they would like us to read it in Nursery they can bring it in for us to read. Please make sure it has their name on it and they can put it in their draws.
- ◆ Don't forget to complete the Reception admission form - See the posters in the Nursery windows for more information
- ◆ Diary Dates - joining in sessions:
 - Monday 13th November - 9.30am - 10.30am - Red Group
 - Monday 13th November - 1.40pm - 2.40pm - Purple Group
 - Tuesday 14th November - 9.30am - 10.30am - Green Group
 - Tuesday 14th November - 1.40pm - 2.40pm - Blue Group
- ◆ All children will be taking part in our Christmas performance on **Thursday 7th December 2023** at 9.30am. Further information to follow nearer the time. Tickets are now on sale at the main office.