

Literacy

In literacy this term we will be reading the following books: Farmer Duck, The Jolly Christmas Postman and we will be reading The Christmas Story. We will be using the texts to develop the children's love of reading, developing their vocabulary and starting to write words and captions in their writing.

We will be using the Christmas Story to support our understanding in preparation for our Nativity performances.

Personal and Social Development

In PSHE we will be thinking about how special and unique we all are and celebrating the differences between us all. We will be thinking about the skills we need to be able to keep ourselves safe and how we all help to look after each other.

We will be thinking about our Church School Value for this term which is Compassion. We will be getting the children

Religious Education

In RE we will be finding out about important figures in Christianity and Islam. We will be looking at how special events are celebrated in different religious communities. Diwali, Hanukkah and Christmas will be the celebrations we will focus on this term.

Understanding the World

In science this term we will be exploring materials and their properties. The children will be using a range of materials in their play and thinking about vocabulary to describe the materials.

We will be finding out about how certain materials change when they are heated and cooled. We will be using chocolate and looking at what happens to water when it reaches freezing point.

We will also be finding out about light and shadows and using torches and lightboxes in our play. We will be making shadow puppets and using torches to show the shadows the puppets make.

Mathematics

In maths we will be looking at the principles of good counting such as moving objects as we count, tagging each object and saying a number and knowing that the final number we say is the total of the group. We will be showing numbers using our fingers and recognising small quantities without needing to count them.

We will be exploring 2D shapes and looking at the properties of the shapes. We will be using mathematical language to talk about shapes and comparing them discussing what properties are the same and which are different.

Expressive Art and Design

In design technology we will be making a winter vegetable soup. The children will be learning the skills needed to peel and chop the vegetables ready for making the soup.

The children will get to try the finished project and then evaluating the soup after they have tried it. They will be thinking about ways they could make it better or things they would do differently if they made it again.

Physical Development

In PE this term the children will be developing our ball skills by dribbling, kicking and hitting balls. We will be learning to work with partners and carefully listening and following instructions.

We will be continuing with yoga and developing our balance and coordination.

The children will be continuing to develop their independence in dressing and undressing them-



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