

Once Upon a Party!

Autumn 2

- Coco
- Rama and Sita
- Remembrance
- Beast Feast
- Grobblechops
- Mine!
- Little Red Riding Hood
- The Nativity
- Jesus' Christmas Party

Our stories this half term link to the theme of 'Overcoming the Monster'. We will be enjoying lots of stories that follow the main character on a journey where they overcome an obstacle or event.

We will tell stories in lots of different ways and use these as a basis to tell and write our own amazing stories.

We will write messages, labels and use our phonic knowledge to represent our ideas.

Visitors:

As we begin to return to normal we would like to invite visitors into school to enhance our learning. We welcome visits from family members who would like to talk about recent weddings or christenings or special family celebrations from different faiths. Please let us know if you would like to help!

Learning Experiences:

We will learn about the diversity of families and the different ways they can be made up.

We will find out about the diversity of family life for children in Reception, Western, England and the world in terms of way of life, housing, schooling and jobs, drawing comparisons.

We will learn about festivals and celebrations.

Autumn – Harvest, Halloween, Bonfire night.

Diwali – We will share the story of Rama and Sita and the significance of Diwali to the Hindu community.

We will learn and tell the Nativity story and explore the significance of Christmas to the Christian community.

Key Vocabulary:

We believe that talk is the foundation of all of our learning. We will always seek opportunities to discuss and explore new ideas. Alongside this we will extend our vocabularies through our learning and our play. We will learn many new words as we discover new topics and ideas. For example:

Rama, Sita, Hinduism, Rangoli, Diva lamp, Lakshmi, mehndi, Ravana, bindi

Astronomy, astronomer

Nativity, Christians, Church

Reception

Values:

We will focus on the value of Reciprocity this half term. Reciprocity is a skill that we will continually work on as sharing, assisting and working together are key in all that we do. This ties in with our topic of festivals and parties. At Harvest we give thanks and share. We will also be talking about the significance of sending and receiving gifts at Christmas.

Phonics and Early Reading:

We will take part in daily Read, Write, Inc sessions to learn our letter sounds and formation rhymes.

We will enjoy stories that are familiar and build a repertoire of songs and rhymes.

As we develop our phonic knowledge we will begin to blend sounds to read CVC words and have blending books to read at home for practise.

Role Play:

Our home corner is where children feel safe to play and to continue to establish relationships. We will continue to act out and play our home routines such as, getting ready, cooking meals, taking care of the baby and cleaning. We will also prepare for celebrations, parties and festivals within our home.

Big Maths Objectives:

Sort collections - use and create a criteria to sort by.

Count out from a large group and stop at total.

Compare actual numbers and say which is more.

Recognise that numbers are made up of other numbers- explore all of the ways to find 5. Partition then recombine to make 5.

Change sets by adding and taking away - find one more and one less.

Tell addition and subtraction stories.

Compare measures and extend vocabulary related to measure.

Talk about and copy AB pattern - make own AB pattern.