

Learning at Home

We cannot stress enough the importance of spending time with your children enjoying activities and time in the outdoors. Please continue to support your child with their reading and write your comments in their reading record book. We would also like to provide you with learning ideas that you can complete as a family. The below activities are meant to be fun and enjoyable for everyone. If your child is not engaging then leave it for a while and try again another day. The activities can be completed at anytime over the half term and brought into school for the children to celebrate with their friends.

A salt dough candle holder.



Create a salt dough candle holder to celebrate Diwali. You will need water, flour and salt. Below is a simple guide on how to make these. <https://nurturestore.co.uk/diwali-activity-craft-ideas-salt-dough-candle-holders>

Create a paper plate baubles.



Create a paper plate bauble. You will need a paper plate, coloured pieces of paper, feathers and glitter. Allow your child to use their imagination. Alternately you could use pieces of magazines, rappers and touch on the importance of recycling.

Learning in Reception



Standing Ovation

Learning in Early Years

“Standing Ovation”

This half term we will enjoy learning all about ourselves and things we like to celebrate. We will talk about celebrations we have experienced and respectfully listen to our peers. We will look at photographs of children's celebrations and family and prompt them to discuss similarities and differences. We will have the opportunity to look at different religious traditions such as Diwali and Christmas. We will look at how different communities celebrate these festivals and how this may be similar or different to the way we celebrate festivals in our own community. During this half term we will be learning our Christmas songs and will have the opportunity to perform in front of an audience.

Learning in Literacy

Speaking and Listening

We will learn to perform in front of an audience and learn to, listen carefully when others are speaking.

Our daily phonics sessions will follow our Read, Write, Inc scheme of work starting with the initial Set 1 sounds and we will begin to segment and blend CVC words.

Reading

We will be reading lots of fiction and non-fiction texts in our Literacy lessons. The children will also read with an adult every week one to one and will have the opportunity to read for pleasure, this is to instil a love of reading. Children will begin to segment and blend CVC words independently.

Writing

We will be focusing on name writing, ensuring the children are able to write their names, forming all of the letters correctly and in the right order. The children will also be learning to recognise the initial sounds in words and will begin to identify and write the sounds in simple CVC words (ex; s-a-t= sat).

Working together, parents as partners.

Please support your child by reading with them on a daily basis. Whether reading a story to them or listening to your child read their school reading books. You can also practice counting backwards and forwards to 10 and support your child as they practice writing their name.



Learning Outdoors

We will be investigating our outdoor play areas, learning to play safely on the equipment. We will learn to climb, balance and move in a variety of different ways. In our nature garden we will have the opportunity to explore different insects and we will learn basic gardening skills such as watering the plants, digging up the weeds etc. The children will also have the opportunity to practice riding our balance bikes, riding in and out of the traffic cones and enjoying races.

Learning in Maths

In Maths, we will be counting and subitising how many there are. We will be exploring one more and one less than numbers to 5. The children will also have the opportunity to recognise shapes in everyday objects and the environment and describe some of their properties.

Role Play and Small World

Within our home corner the children will have opportunities to clean, cook and do household jobs. The children will have the opportunity to celebrate religious traditions such as Diwali and Christmas by dressing up in special clothes and making traditional meals.

Personal, Social and Emotional Education

We will be learning how to build constructive and respectful relationships. We will explore how we express our feelings and how we should consider the feelings of others.

Points to Remember

Please bring reading bags into school daily so that we can listen to the children read and change their books.

Ensure your child has a good waterproof winter coat to wear during outdoor play and a pair of wellington boots. Make sure your child's name is written on all of their clothing.

Children will need to wear black tracksuit pants, a black jacket, a plain white top and suitable footwear for PE.

