



Reception Autumn Second Half Term 2022 Newsletter

This half term our topic will be **Celebrations**

Within this the topics will be:	
Diwali Remembrance Stickman	Birthdays Bonfire Night Christmas
Communication and Language	Share ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Listen carefully to, and learn, rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Describe events in detail. Connect one idea to another using connectives.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Follow class and school rules. Further develop the skills that they need to manage the school day successfully eg lining up. Think about the perspective of others.
Physical Development	Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons.
Literacy	Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter-sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words. Re-read books to build fluency, understanding and enjoyment. Form upper and lower case letters correctly. Spell words by hearing the sounds and writing the matching letters.
Mathematics	Comparison of number - more less /fewer, one more / less. Composition of number (adding different pairs of numbers to get the same total, eg $6+4=10$, $7+3=10$). Comparison of mass and capacity (heavier, heaviest, light, lightest, full, empty, partly full etc). Continue, copy and create patterns with colours and shapes.
Understanding of the World	Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Understand that some places are special to members of their community.
Expressive Arts and Design	Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses.

Every day is a special day but particularly Special Days this Half Term will be:

National Magic Day	31 st October
Road Safety Days	9 th and 10 th November
Remembrance Day	11 th November
Odd Sock Day	14 th November
Make a sandwich	Week beginning 14 th November
Children in Need	18 th November
Christmas starts	1 st December