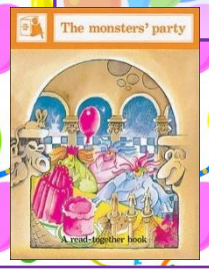
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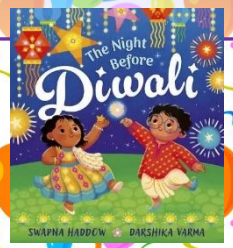
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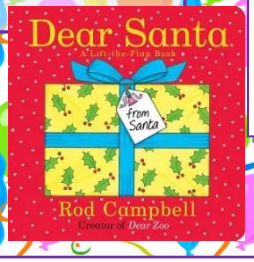





Celebrations







Expressive Arts and Design

Children will:

- Learn and sing celebration themed songs
- Move in response to music
- Explore a range of musical instruments
- Develop an understanding of 'pitch' in music
- Create stories & narratives through small world and role play.

So that they…

- Express themselves through music, dance, role play and art and design.

Understanding the World

Children will:

- Share their experiences of celebrations and learn about the experiences of others
- Learn about different weddings

So that they…

- Think and talk about significant events in their lives
- Gain an awareness of the cultures and beliefs of others
- Know about why and how we celebrate
- Can compare and talk about different celebrations such as weddings.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Children will:

- Talk about their own experiences of special days
- Find out about similarities and differences about celebrations
- Know that being different makes them special

So that they…

Share their own and respect others special times

Develop a positive attitude towards difference and diversity.

Communication and Language / Literacy Development

Children will

- Share their experiences of special celebrations.
- Retell stories
- Develop the foundations of handwriting
- Participate in shared reading and writing sessions

So that they…

- Communicate their ideas and understanding.
- Make changes to stories using their own ideas
- Form letters correctly
- Apply their knowledge of phonics and tricky words in their learning.

Physical Development

Children will:

- Dress and undress into a PE kit
- Move bodies in different ways
- Understand how exercise affects bodies
- Develop skill in using a beanbag
- Develop a pencil pinch

So that they…

- Perform a dance
- Throw and catch a beanbag
- Form the letters in their name.

Mathematical Development

Children will:

- Breakdown quantities 2 - 5
- Learn the words *whole* and *part*
- Learn to read numeral 1 – 10
- Compare sets of objects

So that they…

- Can find different ways of making small quantities e.g. 1+1+1 makes 3. 2+1 makes 3
- Know the mathematical language to describe what they have done
- Can match numerals to quantities of objects
- Can match and talk about groups of objects.

How you can help at home

- Remind your child about your family celebrations & talk about these special days
- Encourage your child to talk about Autumnal changes
- Go on a nature hunt and collect leaves, conkers, etc.
- Talk to your child about the dark nights and shorter days
- Talk about keeping safe with fireworks
- On rainy days, please send your child to school with wellies and extra shoes in a bag so we can play in the rain!

- Routinely look at and share books with your child. Read with your child daily and record in yellow diary at least twice per week. Use Bug Club for more books online.
- Use their yellow reading diary to record your reading sessions at home
- Trip to the Canary Wharf IDEA store – Monday 16th November pm
- Trip to Christmas show – Thursday 10th December 9-11.30am
- Bring a PE kit to school – blue T-shirt only.
- **Parent Phonics workshop – tbc**