



Foundation Stage Topic Web - Autumn 2 2019

Amazing Autumn

Autumn and Winter Celebrations

Our work will be based around the changes of the seasons to autumn and the celebrations that occur in the autumn and winter months.

Celebrations		27th October - Diwali	31st October - Halloween	5th November - Bonfire Night	11th November - Remembrance Day	December - Christmas celebrations	
What we will be covering in class				Supporting your child's learning at home.			
Engage	<p>We will start by going on an autumn walk with the children. Whilst on the walk we will be looking for changes that are taking place linked to the autumn, asking questions such as what is happening to the leaves? What else can we see falling off the trees? What are the animals that live in the woods doing?</p> <p>Role-play - a woodland den with animal masks and natural resources.</p> <p>Role-play - Indian restaurant for the celebration of Diwali / Post Office for sending Christmas gifts</p>				<p>Go on an autumn walk and look at the changes that you see take place around where you live. Draw a picture or take some photos and bring them into school to share with us.</p> <p>Feed the birds at home. What birds and animals visit your garden?</p>		
Develop	<p>We will be learning about UK animals and how they get ready for winter, sharing stories and looking at information books.</p> <p>We will be thinking about what the words hibernation and migration mean.</p> <p>We will be exploring autumn nature, describing fallen leaves, looking at conkers, acorns and other autumn fruits.</p>				<p>Take some photos of you enjoying celebrations that you enjoy this autumn such as Harvest, Halloween, Bonfire Night and the preparation for Christmas, we would love to see them.</p> <p>Practice recognising numbers up to 10 and then 20.</p> <p>Can you have a go at putting the numbers in order?</p> <p>Count out sets of conkers, acorns and leaves.</p>		
Innovate	<p>We will be creating our own wildlife cafe, thinking about what foods we could use to make bird feeders as well as food for squirrels and hedgehogs.</p>				<p>Bake at home and together practice weighing ingredients.</p> <p>Remember to learn and practise the sounds sent home in your child's sound books to support phonics work that is taking place in school.</p>		
Express	<p>We will be sharing our favourite parts of the topic with each other, creating art work that shows what we have enjoyed and answering the question Why do squirrel's hide their nuts?</p>				<p>Please continue to support your child by reading and practicing sounds and words. It makes a significant difference to children's reading if they read at least 3 times a week at home.</p>		

Mathematical Development	<p>We will continue to practice recognising numbers up to 5 / 10/ 20 and will begin to order them.</p> <p>We will be focusing specifically on the numbers 3, 4 and 5 - how to write them, looking at different representations of them and how to make each number e.g. $3+1=4$</p> <p>We will be counting out sets of autumn objects.</p> <p>We will be measuring autumn items, comparing their lengths, weights and capacity.</p> <p>We will be using autumn / winter materials to make repeating patterns and to sort objects.</p> <p>We will be learning the names of and describing 2D and 3D shapes.</p>
Communication and language	<p>We will be developing the children's creative language whilst exploring the outdoor environment as well as language connected to celebrations including Harvest, Diwali, Christmas, Halloween and Bonfire night.</p> <p>We will develop questioning skills through exploration of autumn changes and animal preparations for winter.</p> <p>We will be talking about how we celebrate different celebrations and celebrations that take place in other cultures.</p>
Literacy	<p>We will continue to learn new sounds through phonics, matching graphemes and phonemes and beginning to blend simple sounds.</p> <p>We will sequence cooking instructions and stories</p> <p>We will be sharing stories such as Percy the Park Keeper as well as learning traditional stories such as the story of Rama and Sita for Diwali.</p> <p>We will be practising the formation of letters and begin to write sounds that we hear at the beginning of words and for some we will be sounding out whole words.</p> <p>We will look at the differences between fiction and non-fiction books linked to autumn, animals, hibernation and migration as well as autumn and winter celebrations.</p> <p>We will continue to be reading our school books, looking for sounds in the text and telling stories using the pictures.</p>
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	<p>We will be working together to make bird feeders and animal nests and dens.</p> <p>We will be considering how to resolve issues in class through sharing, listening and helping each other and what to do if we have a falling out.</p> <p>We will be learning about saying "NO" to bullying during Anti Bullying Week (w/c 11th November)</p>
Physical Development	<p>We will continue with our <i>Shake up wake up!</i> physical exercises which focus on posture and stamina, developing the strength and control in their shoulder, arm and finger muscles. We will be continuing to enjoy Dough Disco!</p> <p>In PE we will be enjoying games and dancing, learning traditional Indian dancing for Diwali and ribbon dancing for bonfire night.</p> <p>We are continuing with our handwriting scheme called Penpals. We will teach and practice letter formation for 10 minutes every day</p>
Understanding the World	<p>We will be investigating what happens to foods, especially nuts, fruits and vegetables when they are stored over the winter.</p> <p>We will be exploring what types of animals live in Broughton Astley and the UK.</p> <p>We will be using cameras to record the autumn changes we see happening.</p> <p>We will be learning about how animals get ready to hibernate and why some animals migrate.</p> <p>We will explore a range of celebrations including Harvest, Diwali, Halloween, Bonfire Night, Remembrance and Christmas, thinking about how / why we celebrate them.</p>
Expressive arts and design	<p>We will be singing a range of songs in preparation for our Christmas nativity performance.</p> <p>We will be making fire work rockets using junk model materials.</p> <p>We will be using Brusho to create wax resistant firework pictures.</p> <p>We will be using clay to make our own divas for Diwali.</p> <p>We will be using autumn materials to make natural pictures and sculptures.</p> <p>We will be making a range of Christmas decorations, including some for the church Christmas tree festival.</p>

