

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The children have settled well into their classroom and new routines. This half term we will be developing the children's confidence to talk to each other about their own needs, wants and opinions whilst still encouraging good sharing and turn-taking. We will be using 3D PSHE lessons to get the children thinking and asking questions about sharing and problem solving. We will work with the children in groups and individually to solve problems with peers without aggression and continue to use our class listening dog to encourage good sitting, listening and turn-taking on the carpet.

Literacy

The children will revise the phonemes they have learnt in Autumn 1 and then continue to learn new phase 2 phonemes alongside new tricky words including I, and, the, go, to, into, no. They will be reading simple CVC captions in phonics and attempting to write captions in adult led activities for example labelling a cat or dog. The children will receive a postcard from the North Pole and will be writing their very own back to the penguins and Elves!

Maths

The children will be starting to look at power maths and securing their number knowledge of numbers 1-10. We will explore sorting, comparing and time. The children will be using shapes appropriately to make beautiful firework pictures and exploring pattern through celebrating Diwali. They will also explore the early concepts of sharing on 'children in need day' when having our teddy bears picnic, they will have to split raisins equally into two groups to make it fair. We will also be making repeating patterns Christmas wrapping paper to get us in the festive mood!

Physical Development

The children have started handwriting and will continue to practise correctly forming the letters which they have learnt in phonics. We will be giving the children lots of fine motor activities and encouraging the use of one-handed tools to help them move to a thumb and two finger grip. P.E will continue to be on a Wednesday. This half term we will be making Diwali, Firework and Winter Wonderland Dances!

Communication and Language

The children will be listening and discussing the story 'Our Very Own Dog' they will share theirs and others experiences of animals in the home. They will be encouraged to maintain attention and concentrate during engaging carpet sessions. The children will learn new rhymes and songs and be encouraged to join in with repeated refrains and anticipate key events and phrases in the rhymes and stories they hear.

F2 Curriculum Overview- Autumn 1

Theme: Our Pets and Vets cont & Christmas



Understanding the World

The children will be finding out and thinking about special times or events for family and friends. They will discuss and share their experiences of Bonfire Night and touch upon the story of Guy Fawkes as well as learn all about the Sikh festival of light Diwali. We will think carefully about Poppies and what they represent and participate in a minute's silence on Remembrance Day. We will discuss different occupations and ways of life with the children and explore the role of a 'vet' in our roleplay linked to our text 'Our Very Own Dog'.

In Technology, we will use simple apps on the ipad to create pictures and on the computers the children will have opportunities to play number and phonics games.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will create firework and Diwali dances in P.E and use musical instruments to create and perform their own music. They will learn new songs and pet poems and perform these in front of the class.

There will be opportunities for children to choose from a range of media to create firework, Diwali and Christmas pictures. The junk modelling will be available for the children to construct with a purpose in mind and they will be encouraged to make homes suitable for certain pets.

In the roleplay area the children will have opportunities to put their vet skills into practise as they take care of the sick pets. Later as we approach Christmas the children will be able to imagine they are in Santa's Grotto helping the elves prepare for Christmas!