

Maths

- Counting accurately
- Matching amounts and numerals
- Open investigations that allow children to develop and apply their number skills
- Using the language of more/fewer etc.
- Adding and subtracting two small numbers
- Weighing and comparing Christmas presents to help Father Christmas
- 2 and 3d shapes linked to building activities and fireworks

Physical Development

- Experimenting with different ways of moving
- Joining in with dancing, drama and ring games linked to our story.
- Exploring moving rhythmically in response to music

Literacy

- Writing experiences around Diwali, bonfire night and our story.
- Sharing books as a group
- Helping Father Christmas label presents
- Exploring our class story through drama, dance, art and music.
- Thinking critically through picturebooks

Expressive Arts and Design

- Mixed media firework pictures
- Rangoli patterns and Diva lamps
- Creating a collaborative giant collaged river
- Christmas cards and tree ornaments
- Christmas songs and musical patterns
- Giant, collaborative night sky pictures

Communication and Language

- Talking about firework safety
- Learning and joining in with Mr Gumpy's story
- Learning and joining in with our Nativity story
- Interviewing different characters from Mr Gumpy's story

Understanding of the World and IT

- Using the internet safely
- Exploring position and coding through Beebots
- Gain increasing control over using a mouse
- Looking at how animals and ourselves grow and change over time
- Exploring changes in materials such as ice
- Carrying out Christmas investigations (for example, how can we make a parachute for Father Christmas?)

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Safety around bonfires and fireworks
- Learning to work together and solve problems
- Celebrating that we are all different
- Exploring what is important when we give and receives gifts

Religious Education

- Actively exploring the Christmas story through our nativity, song and dance
- Looking at how Hindu's celebrate Diwali and learning the story of Rama and Sita

