

# Autumn Term Planning

<p>PLOD Title: Celebrations</p>
<p>Date: Autumn 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term 2024</p>
<p>Room/Age Range: Kindergarten-Reception</p>
<p>Theme or Season: Festivals and celebrations, including Christmas</p>
<p>Focused Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phonics lessons daily (whole class and small groups)</li> <li>Maths lessons on separate plans</li> <li>Literacy planning based on Autumn and Christmas</li> </ul>
<p>Provision Enhancements:</p> <p>Bonfire night in the woods</p> <p>Trip to Audley End</p> <p>Christmas play</p> <p>Christmas party</p> <p>Class assembly</p> <p>Postbox and hot chocolate at the White Horse</p>
<p><b>Key</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kindergarten</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Nursery</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Reception</p>

**Communication and Language**

Children will learn...  
*To take part in class discussions, to express themselves to others and to listen to each others' ideas. To speak clearly and loudly to an audience.*

**Additional planned activities:**  
 Class assembly  
 Nativity  
 Show and tell  
 Talking about festivals and celebrations that are important to them,

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

Children will learn...  
*To follow the rules of the class. To express likes and dislikes and to talk about things that matter to them.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Being part of our community  
 Different Christmas traditions  
 Black History Week  
 The real spirit of Christmas

**Physical Development**

Children will learn...  
*To run, walk, hop and skip, negotiating space with others. To move to music and to dance. To understand keeping healthy, including teeth brushing. To use a range of different tools.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Practicing fine motor skills  
 Dancing and moving to music for class assembly and the play  
 Autumn dance  
 Christmas yoga  
 Learning about going to the doctor/dentist and keeping healthy

**Literacy**

Children will learn...  
*To enjoy books and stories, to recognise some letters and sounds, to make marks and talk about what they have done. In Reception, children will learn to write simple sentences and to sound out words. They will learn to read tricky words and to recognise them in sentences.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Christmas cards  
 The story of the Nativity  
 Writing about Autumn  
 Letters to Santa  
 Percy the Park keeper stories and assembly

**Mathematics**

Children will learn...  
*In Pre-School, children will explore numbers, colours and shapes, and begin to recognise significant numbers. In Reception, children will learn to add and subtract amounts to 10, to recognise 3D shapes and to solve simple problems.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Making 2022 calendars  
 Advent calendars  
 Counting and observing shapes of leaves and Autumn objects  
 Using shapes to make wrapping paper.

**Festivals and Celebrations**

**Understanding the World**

Children will learn...  
*About celebrations and special events for themselves and their community, develop a sense of community and of working together. They will learn about religions and cultures of the world and that different people have different beliefs.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Learning about festivals of light – Diwali, Christmas, Hannukah, Eid, Chinese New Year  
 Talking about own culture and that of our community  
 Taking part in Christmas traditions  
 Studying the story of the Nativity and Christingle  
 Forest schools  
 Learning about changes in the seasons  
 Baking and cooking  
 Remembrance Day

**Expressive Arts and Design**

Children will learn...  
*To explore different media, tools and ways of creating. They will express their knowledge of celebrations through their creative work. They will learn songs, dances and practice speaking and acting to an audience. They will access role play resources and develop their own stories.*

**Additional planned activities**  
 Christmas cards  
 Christmas decorations  
 Firework art – link to Diwali, New Year, Chinese New Year and Bonfire Night  
 Singing songs for the class assembly and Nativity  
 Dance to firework/autumn music  
 Learning scissor skills, joining with sellotape  
 Experimenting with different media for collage.

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