

Theme: Space, Celebrations and Festivals

Phonics Play
TopMarks -EYFS

This half term we will be learning and finding out about Halloween, Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Diwali and Christmas. We will be particularly looking at how these festivals may be celebrated at home. We will also be finding out all about space!

Words to learn this half term:

Colour, sparkle, spooky, skeleton, glitter, bang, crackle, sizzle, celebrate, celebrations, family, fire fighter, soldier, sailor, pilot, battle, war, Christmas, Diwali, Mehndi, solar system, orbit, planet, moon, crater, stars, Mars, Earth, Mercury, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune Venus, Uranus.

We will be using all of our senses to explore some exciting activities such as: cooking, music & modelling.

Stories

During the half term many of the activities and learning experiences offered will be focussed around some of the following stories:

How to Catch a Star
Meg and Mog
Kipper's Birthday
Whatever Next
The Jolly Christmas Postman
Non fiction texts about Christmas, Remembrance Day, Diwali and Eid

Maths

This half term we will be looking at 2d shapes and their properties. We will also be looking at numbers 1-5. We will be exploring what the numbers mean, how they can be represented in different ways, and how to write them correctly.

Please help your child by introducing words such as square, circle, triangle, oblong, oval, corners, sides, straight, curved, edges and points.

Songs and Rhymes

Children love to sing and dance. Please help your child to learn this rhyme:

10 little men in a flying saucer
looked around the world one day
They looked left and right,
but they didn't like the sight
so one man flew a way.

9 little men in a flying saucer...and so on until you have 0.

You can use the language one less when singing this song and explain to your child what one less means.

Useful Apps

Go Noodle -YouTube
CBeebies Alphablocks



Please remember to:

- Bring your book bag every day.
- Reading books will be changed on a Thursday or Friday each week - please make sure your child's book bag is in school on both of these days each week.
- Please aim to read with your child at least 3 times a week.
- Please send in a pair of wellies that can stay in school so that your child can access the outdoor area in all weathers.
- Write your child's name inside all of their uniform, including coats and PE kits.
- Bring a warm coat, hat and scarf to school, as the weather gets colder.
- Home learning will be given out each day and will need to be returned the following morning.
- PE is on a Friday. Please send your child into school that day wearing black shorts/ leggings/ jogging bottoms, a white t shirt, school sweatshirt and trainers. **Earrings must be removed.**
- Have a look at our school website for the school holiday list and other useful information: www.cheetwood.manchester.sch.uk

