

## Communication and Language, Literacy

Focus Texts: Little Red Hen, Jesus'

### Christmas Party



This half term we will continue to practise orally retelling our stories and memorise narratives using our text maps. We will also introduce 'story inventions' where we will construct our own stories, using props and simple plot structures. Each week, all children will learn a new 'Rhyme of the Week' to link to our topics. In phonics, we will also continue to learn a new sound a day and focus on oral blending and segmenting simple words.

**Please read with you child daily to support this.**

### Expressive Arts and Design



Linking to our learning about festivals around the world, we will be learning to apply new skills across a range of craft activities. For Diwali, we will manipulate and sculpt clay to make a diya lamp. For Guy Fawkes, we will explore mixing colours to make a firework painting using a variety of tools. For Hanukkah and Christmas we will create our own designs to make a card.



## Reception Curriculum Map Autumn 2 2024

### Values: Gratitude

(Link values: Appreciation, Thoughtfulness, Humility)

#### Key dates:

**Reception Storytelling Session: Wed 13th Nov (in class)**

### Understanding the World



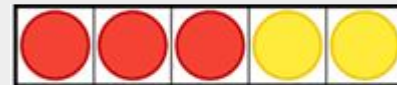
As the weather changes, we will explore how seasons change and link this to learning about light and dark. We will find about nocturnal animals and what helps them to manage in the dark. Outside, we will plant and care for a bulb. Linking to our Expressive Arts and Design, we will find out how people celebrate Hanukkah and Christmas.

### Physical Development



During PE lessons, we will develop our footwork by learning a one leg balance and learning how to jump and land safely. We will also learn a seated balance. There will be daily opportunities for us to practise our fine motor skills to support our later writing skills. On our 'Funky Fingers' table we will develop threading, pinching and pouring skills.

## Maths



Our Maths learning will focus on recognising and talking about 2D shapes using vocabulary such as sides, corners, straight and curved. We will go on shape hunts in the environment and compare shapes, looking for similarities and differences. In our number work, we will look at the composition of 4 and 5. We will introduce what an odd and even number is, and learn how to find 1 more and 1 less. Using objects we will share equally between groups and find ways to problem solve. We will also look at time and compare night and day.



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

As the term progresses, we will continue to explore how we learn using 'The Foxdell Way.' We will identify something we are good at and learn that everyone is good at different things. We will learn how to be a kind friend and which words to use to express our own needs and feelings. We will also practise how to give compliments.

