

Festivals Reception



In the Festivals project, the children will learn about different festivals and celebrations that take place during this time of year such as Diwali and Christmas. They will be introduced to places of worship and the special activities that occur during those celebrations. They will also explore the natural world around them and notice how it changes from Summer to Autumn and Autumn to Winter. During this topic, they will also develop their computing skills and use iPads, cameras and the IWB. In the final week of this half term, the children will create a Christmas placemat as part of their DT project.

Key Questions	Vocabulary	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What are some of the special activities that take place during Diwali? 	Diwali	religion
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is your favourite thing about Autumn? 	Hindu	Christmas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How is Autumn different to Summer/Winter? 	worship	Christian
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where do Christians worship? 	Autumn	church
	Winter	celebration
	seasons	festivals
<p>Learning Links: Understanding the World</p>	<p>Learning Links: Expressive Arts and Design</p>	
<p><u>People Culture and Communities</u> To know that people around the world have different religions. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.</p> <p><u>The Natural World</u> Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. Explore the natural world around them.</p> <p><u>Technology</u> To know how to operate simple equipment. To draw pictures on IWB and begin to change colours. To use the iPad to take pictures.</p>	<p><u>Creating with Materials</u> To use colours for a particular purpose. To share their creations. To explore techniques for joining materials (Glue stick/PVA) To use simple tools to cut and join materials (scissors, hole punch) – “Fabulously Festive Placemats Project”.</p> <p><u>Being Imaginative and Expressive</u> To perform a song in the Christmas Play. To pitch match. To sing the melodic shape of familiar songs. To begin to build up a repertoire of songs. To sing entire songs. To use costumes and resources to act out narratives.</p>	
	<p>Planned Stories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Best Diwali Ever Little Glow Leaf Thief Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter Christmas Department Store Little Robin Red Vest 	