

Festivals and Celebrations 2023

Why are festivals important?

Medium Term Teacher Focussed Planning Autumn 2

C	PLAYING AND EXPLORING	ACTIVE LEARNING	CREATING AND THINKING CRITICALLY
ha	Finding out and exploring	Being involved and concentrating	Having their own ideas
a a	Showing curiosity about objects, events and people	Maintaining focus on their activity for a period of time	Thinking of ideas
te	Using senses to explore the world around them	Showing high levels of energy, fascination	Finding ways to solve problems
r.	Engaging in open-ended activity	Not easily distracted; Paying attention to details	Finding new ways to do things
tic	Showing particular interests	Keeping on trying	Making links
S	Playing with what they know	Persisting with activity when challenges occur	Making links and noticing patterns in their experience
_ ₹	Pretending objects are things from their experience	Showing a belief that more effort or a different	Making predictions; Testing their ideas
₩	Representing their experiences in play	approach will pay off	Developing ideas of grouping, sequences, cause and
ec	Taking on a role in their play	Bouncing back after difficulties	effect
₹.	Acting out experiences with other people	Enjoying achieving what they set out to do	Choosing ways to do things
e	Being willing to 'have a go'	Showing satisfaction in meeting their own goals	Planning, making decisions about how to approach a
.ea	Initiating activities, seeking challenge	Being proud of how they accomplished something – not	task, solve a problem and reach a goal
3	Showing a 'can do' attitude	just the end result	Checking how well their activities are going
, m	Taking a risk, engaging in new experiences, and learning	Enjoying meeting challenges for their own sake rather	Changing strategy as needed
04	by trial and error	than external rewards or praise	Reviewing how well the approach worked

	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Physical Development	Communication and Language
Prime Areas of Learnin	Questions: What should you do if something goes wrong? How do we share? What is perseverance? What is good learning? Is it ok to make a mistake? How do other's feel? What is the same /different about the ways in which we celebrate?	Questions: What rules do we need when we are playing in the garden and during PE? Why do we need to be careful when we climb? How do you hold a pencil? Scissors? What is weaving? Can you thread over and under?	Questions: What is a celebration? Why do we have fireworks night? Who was Guy Fawkes? Did you trick or treat? What is Halloween? Why do we wear poppies? What is Diwali? Why do we celebrate Christmas? What makes a good listener? Link to Regulation work- phrases - I'll play with you later, Good morning, good afternoon, may I leave the table, please, thankyou
Q	Success Criteria:	Success Criteria:	Success Criteria:
	Week 1 I can share with a friend- my turn, your turn	Week 1 I can rock on different body parts. I can	Week 1 I can talk about Halloween, I can retell an
	Week 2 I can use some learnt phrases to help when	transfer weight from one part of my body to another	event- going trick or treating using appropriate
	things go wrong- 'stop', 'Can I help?', 'Do you need	Week 2 I can perform a log and egg roll. I can use	vocabulary
	space?'	alternate legs when climbing. I can carry equipment	Week 2 I can talk about now and long ago by retelling
	Week 3 I know it's ok to make a mistake	safely	the story of Guy Fawkes and learn new vocabulary

Week 4 I can try, try and try again- perseverance Week 5 I can say what good learning looks like Week 6 I can use zones strips to talk about feelings in different scenarios Week 7 I can think about how my friends feel	Week 3 I can roll sideways and forwards, leap and keep safe Week 4 I can perform a variety of rolls and jump from low apparatus Week 5 I can rock and roll and give feedback to a partner Week 6 I can show 3 different rolls with control. I can link my moves and feedback to a partner	Week 3 I can answer a why question- why do we wear poppies? Week 4 I can listen to and act out the story of Rama and Sita Week 5 I can retell the story or Rama and Sita using puppets and learnt vocabulary Week 6 I can talk about my own experience of Christmas Week 7 I can retell the Nativity through drama, role play and puppet shows using new vocabulary
Guided Activities: Continue work on zones of regulation Recap feelings- happy, sad, angry and strategies to use when you are sad or angry. Introduce the feeling worried. Teach phrases that don't hurt feelings eg I'll play with you later	Guided Activities: Cutting- puppets, Rama, Sita, Mary, Joseph, playdough gym Large scale weaving Catherine wheel weaving- fireworks Christmas decorations- stars, reindeers PE- Rock and Roll Gymnastics Dance for Nativity	Guided Activities: Read non-fiction books and story books- learn contents page/ index page Introduce topic vocabulary Learn Remember, Remember rhyme Re-tell Rama and Sita with puppets Introduce Mick Inkpen (author of the half term) books – Kipper's Birthday Kipper's Birthday role-play
 Talk with others to solve conflicts. Talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'. Begin to understand how others might be feeling. Reception See themselves as a valuable individual. Build constructive and respectful relationships. Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge. Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally. Think about the perspectives of others. Manage their own needs. 	 Revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired: rolling, crawling, walking, jumping, running, hopping, skipping, climbing Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. Develop the overall body strength, coordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance, gymnastics, sport and swimming. Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons. Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor. Combine different movements with ease and fluency 	 Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important. Learn new vocabulary Use new vocabulary through the day Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Develop social phrases Engage in story times. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding. Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Use new vocabulary in different contexts. Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound. Learn rhymes, poems and songs. Engage in non-fiction books. Listen to and talk about selected non-fiction to develop a deep familiarity with new knowledge and vocabulary.

		 Develop the foundations of a handwriting style which is fast, accurate and efficient. Know and talk about the different factors that support their overall health and wellbeing: regular physical activity, healthy eating, toothbrushing, sensible amounts of 'screen time', having a good sleep routine, being a safe pedestrian Further develop the skills they need to manage the school day successfully: lining up and queuing, mealtimes, personal hygiene 	
	Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World
Specific Areas of Learning	Questions: Can you talk about different celebrations? What did you do for Halloween? Why do we have fireworks night? What is the firework code? What do you want Santa to bring for you?	Questions: How many fireworks can you count? Can you make a repeat pattern? Can you find how many different ways to make 5 with Diwali objects?	Questions: What festivals do we and others celebrate? What happens to the trees in Autumn? Winter? Link to Remember, Remember story Discuss how we celebrate at home. Learn about Guy Fawkes- compare clothes from long ago to ours What is Divali? Have you travelled to another country? Where is India?
	Success Criteria: Daily Phonics- reading and writing Daily guided reading Week 1 COLD task I can write cvc Halloween words eg cat mat bat Week 2 I can segment a cvc word and say the sound, count on fingers, use sound mat and write letters- use firework writing- pop, zap, fizz Week 3 I can write a cvc word and common exception word with support – Guy Fawkes Week 4 I can write a cvc word and common exception word with support – Rama and Sita writing Week 5 I can write a cvc word and common exception word with some independence Week 6/7 HOT task I can write cvc words independently	Success Criteria: Week 1 I can compare quantities on non-identical objects Week 2 I can talk about 3D shape Week 3 I can talk about 2D shape Week 4 I can find 1 more than Week 5 I can find 1 less than Week 6 I can use a part, whole model Week 7 I can learn some positional language and develop my special awareness	Success Criteria: Week 1 I can learn that different people celebrate different festivals- list the festivals celebrated this half term Week 2 I can talk about Bon Fire night now and in the past, talk about Guy Fawkes Week 3 I know that some places are special to member of the community, talk about poppies placed on Waverton monument/ cenotaph Week 4 I can find India on a world map and link to the story of Rama and Sita Week 5 I can learn that there are similarities and differences between our country and others Week 6 I can understand that people celebrate in different ways- Xmas around the world Week 7 I can use my senses to understand the changing season- winter
	Guided Activities: Phonics, tricky words, guided reading Discuss Mick Inkpen books- use vocab Read Firework books Write Firework poems- noises	Guided Activities: Power Maths Numberblocks NCETM Comparing groups 2D 3D shapes	Guided Activities: Talk about what our families do to celebrate Tell story of Guy Fawkes. Look at Guy Fawkes photos- compare clothes to today Read information books- Bonfire, Divali

Learn Remember, Remember 5th November rhyme Read variety of Christmas stories Read Information books –Bonfire, Divali- topic vocab Make Divai lamps and label divali pictures- CVC words Christmas labels- CVC words Christmas list	1 more 1 less within 5 Number bonds to 5 Ordering numbers Collage shapes Use matchsticks, cubes, lollysticks to make 2D shapes Continue repeat patterns- link to divali Use Fireworks, Divali objects, Christmas pictures combining and splitting and groups Introduce more and less Play with dice- subitising	Make poppies for Remembrance Talk about Divali- festival of light, look at map of India and a world globe Read Rama and Sita story and make puppets Discuss Christmas Nativity Change role play to stable
 Read individual letters by saying the sounds for them Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter-sound correspondences. Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them. Read a few common exception words matched to the school's phonic programme. Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter—sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words. Re-read these books to build up their confidence in word reading, their fluency and their understanding and enjoyment. Form lower-case and capital letters correctly. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense. 	 Count objects, actions and sounds. Subitise. Link the number symbol (numeral) with its cardinal number value Count beyond ten. Compare numbers Understand the 'one more than/one less than' relationship between consecutive numbers. Explore the composition of numbers to 10. Automatically recall number bonds for numbers 0–10. Select, rotate and manipulate shapes in order to develop spatial reasoning skills. Compose and decompose shapes so that children recognise a shape can have other shapes within it, just as numbers can. Continue, copy and create repeating patterns. Compare weight 	 Know that there are different countries in the world and talk about the differences they have experienced or seen in photos. Reception Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them.
Expressive Arts and Design	Festivals and Celebrations	Parent/Community Links
Questions: What is weaving? What happens when we mix white with red, blue, yellow?	What relevant festivals happen during the first term? Bon Fire Night Guy Fawkes story Remembrance Day	Christmas Nativity Pantomime

Why do we have poppy day? Why Christmas songs can you sing? Who is Jackson Pollock? How did he paint? How do you hold a paint brush?	Diwali Christmas Christmas Nativity	Introduce wow moments to send home
Success Criteria: Week 1 I can use paint to show my ideas when I decorate a plate ready for weaving Week 2 I can weave using different materials, in groups and individually Week 3 I can go over and under for my weaving, with support then independently Week 4 I can learn a song and sing in a group Week 5 I can learn a dance and perform in front of others Week 6 I can develop storylines in my pretend play using the role play nativity area Week 7 I can share my ideas with my friends		
Guided Activities: Begin large weaving and then small scale weaving	Information topic books- Celebration Food Clare Hibbert	Vocabulary: PSE Vocab-
fireworks	Celebrations and Special Days Ellen Lawrence	Feelings- Happy, Sad, Angry, Worried, Upset
Make poppy Calendar – inking/ pastel, poppy Learn about the artist Jackson Pollock and make Divali pictures- flicking paint Christmas crafts-make card, decoration, sing Nativity songs and dances	Family Festivals Jean Coppendale Festivals Around the World Margaret Hall Remember, Remember 5 th November Deborah Webb Bonfire Night Katie Dicker	Communication & Language Vocab- Listen- sit still, look at listener, hands in lap, remember Retell the story
Role play- Birthday party- Kipper's Birthday Role-play – Nativity	Bonfire Night Nancy Dickmann The Divali Story Anita Ganeri	Physical Development Vocab- Weave, over, under
	Diwali Lisa Amstutz We love Divalu Saviour Pirotta	Phonics Vocab- Letter, word, name, sound, upper case, lower case, capital letter
Reception	Remembrance Day Jane Bingham & Ruth Nason Remembrance Day and the Poppy Helen Cox	Phoneme, digraph, grapheme
 Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build on their previous learning, 	Cannons Cipper's Birthday and other Kipper books Mick Onkpen	Book Vocab- Recap- Title, Author, Illustrator, Blurb, Front cover/ back cover
refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.	Selection of Christmas stories-	Non fiction- contents page, index, glossary Number Vocab-
 Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills. Listen attentively, move to and talk about music, 	Fiction Mog's Christmas Judith Kerr Mortimer's Christmas Karma Wilson Pick a Pine Tree Patricia Toht	More than Less than 2D shape 3D shape
expressing their feelings and responses.	The Story of the Nativity Elena Pasquali	Positional language- over, under, on, off, next to, beside,through

 Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing their feelings and responses. Sing in a group or on their own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody. Develop storylines in their pretend play. Explore and engage in music making and dance, performing solo or in groups. 	Poetry Nursery Rhymes revisited Playtime Rhymes: Sally Gardener	Understanding the World History Vocab- Now and then Old new newer Long ago Compare Geography Vocab- Map, World map, country, England, India, Ocean Science Vocab- Seasons- Autumn, winter Healthy- 5 a day Topic Vocab Celebrations Remembrance Day Bon fire Soldiers Fireworks War Guy Fawkes Poppies Safety Divali Light, Hindu Rama, Sita, Ravana Expressive Arts and Design Art Vocab- Weave Over, under Material RE Vocab- Church Christian Cross Christmas Nativity Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Angels, Innkeeper
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