

## Physical Development

- We will be continuing to develop the children's fine motor skills through a range of activities such as playdough, puzzles, threading, and building
- We will be exploring different tools and materials and using one-handed tools and equipment
- We will be playing and exploring in our garden, encouraging the children to move in different ways



## Literacy

- We use a different book each week to guide our learning, with each book closely linked to our current topic.
- We will teach Phase 1 phonics, this term focusing on sound discrimination
- We will continue to share lots of stories, in small groups and as a whole class
- We will look at different marks in the environment and see if we can guess what it might mean
- We will encourage the children to have a go at writing their name



This Term our topic is:

# Let's Celebrate!

We will be talking and learning about different celebrations and why we celebrate

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### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- We will continue to think about similarities and differences of people and what makes us unique, including different celebrations
- We will encourage the children to follow our rules and routines and develop their independence
- We will talk about our emotions, think about how we are feeling and how others might be feeling too

### Understanding the World

- We will be remembering and talking about significant events in the children's own experience
- As the weather changes, we will learn about the season Winter and look at the changes in our environment
- In RE we will focus on why we have celebrations and learning about the Nativity Story



### Expressive Arts and Design

- The children will have the opportunity to engage in role play and small world activities
- The children will be able to explore a range of craft activities, including printing and box modelling
- The children will learn some Christmas songs and perform these for their parents



## Communication and Language

- We will be singing favourite rhymes and songs and learning some new ones too
- We will be joining in with National Nursery Rhyme week
- We will be listening to different sounds in the environment
- We will be listening to stories that have repeating refrains and encouraging the children to join in
- We will be expanding the children's vocabulary and encouraging the children to use new words in their play
- We will identify 'interesting' language when reading stories and try to use this in our role play and retelling

## Maths

- We will be counting different amounts of objects and beginning to compare quantities
- We will be learning about "the same" and matching pictures and quantities
- We will look at flat shapes, naming them and talking about their properties. The children will be able to make arrangement with shapes
- We will begin to be describe familiar routes

