

# NURSERY

Our Topic is....

## 'Super Celebrations!'

Welcome back to Oaks! This half term, there are lots of things to celebrate and to look forward to. We will learn about special days from all around the world. We will understand where and how these traditions originated and talk about ways we celebrate them too! We will learn, practise and perform new songs for our EYFS Christmas nativity. In addition, we will be making our own Christmas cards. It is going to be lots of fun and we cannot wait to get started!

### Personal, Social and Emotional

We will continue to develop positive relationships with familiar adults and children.

By playing games, we will learn how to share, take turns and resolve conflicts.

We will develop our sense of responsibility and learn how to take care of our belongings.



### Communication and Language

Games like "Simon says" and "I spy..." will help us to practise looking, listening and following instructions.

We will talk about events and how we celebrate them.

It will be fun to learn some new songs and rhymes.



### Physical Development

When we get crafty, we will have fun building our finger muscles by using our fingers to roll, pinch, squeeze, trace and prod playdough and paint.

We will develop our gross motor skills by exploring ways to move outside on our play equipment and bikes.

Forest School sessions will be on Monday mornings.

### Maths

We continue to explore our number of the week, by playing counting games and explore different ways of recording ideas of number.

We will explore 2D shapes in the environment and create our own shape rockets.

Develop an understanding of size, shape and weight by sorting, measuring and weighing presents in Santa's workshop.

Problem solving will be explored with the help of our mischievous 'Elf on the shelf!'

### Literacy

We will read 'Kipper's Birthday' by Mick Inkpen, 'Dear Santa' by Rod Campbell and 'One Snowy Night' by Nick Butterworth.

We will have fun dressing up and retelling Christmas stories through indoor and outdoor play.

We will create Christmas lists by cutting pictures from catalogues and making marks to represent writing a letter to Santa.

### Understanding the World

We will continue our learning about the seasons. E.g. What happens in winter and how has the weather changed?

We will explore colour, light and dark, and observe similarities, differences and changes.

We will learn about different events and festivals that are celebrated around the world.



### Expressive Arts and Design

By being really creative, we will make firework paintings using different techniques and tools.

We will make links between 'people who help us' through our firefighter small world play.

A celebration will occur in our role-play at our 'Birthday Party' and in our 'Santa's workshop.'

