Reception

AUTUMN 2 2026 - 2027

RE

Harvest - Why do people of faith say thank you to God at harvest time?
Christmas - How do Christians Celebrate Jesus' birthday?

ENGLISH

Core fiction text: Chapatti Moon
Non- fiction focus: food, recipes, clothes, celebrations
Poem: I am the Baker Man

PHONICS

Phase 2
f ff l ll ss and consolidation of previous sounds
Phase 3
j v w x y z zz qu sh ch
Tricky Words
into he she we be me was my

C&L

Specific vocabulary taught this half term is:
Key words associated with Christmas, Diwali, Remembrance Sunday and Bonfire Night

To cover bonfire and firework safety

Strategies in daily teaching to encourage C&L - word rap, wow words jar, microphones, talking tins, puppets.

THEME

Let's Celebrate

PSED

Emotional Health and Well Being.
Settling into school.
Making relationships with Key people
School Rules: routines and boundaries
Forming positive relationships.

MUSIC

Charanga - Autumn 2 - My Stories
Nursery rhyme focus: Pat-a-Cake, Twinkle Little Star, Here we go Round the Christmas Tree

Christmas Nativity performance - explore and engage in music making, dance, performing in groups
To sing in a group or solo performance

PE

Primary P.E Passport

Fundamental Movement Skills - How to Catch a Star

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

The Natural World
Science - Materials including changing materials.
Explore the natural world around them.
(Observe and interact with natural processes, such as ice melting, a sound causing a vibration, light travelling through transparent material, an object casting a shadow, a magnet attracting an object and a boat floating on water.)

People and Communities
Geography
Places special to members of the community
Visit to our local church.
Visit to our local cenotaph for remembrance.
Names of different countries where celebrations take place.

Past and Present
History
Know who is in their family in the present.
Know who was in their family in the past.

MATHS

Counting and Number Recognition of 5 -10
Recognise and write the numerals 5-10. Use one to one correspondence to identify 5-10
Subitising Numbers to 5

Exploring and learning properties of shape

EA&D

Creating with materials
Artist: Megan Coyle

Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.
Drawing pictures of familiar places.
Winter painting - colour mixing

Return and build on previous learning