

Next week EYFS will be learning about ...

Literacy/Understanding the World: The Story of Diwali & and work based around Bonfire Night.

We will be looking at non-fiction books such as 'Celebrations around the World', to find out about the Festival of Diwali and we will be learning about the Diwali story of Rama and Sita. We will also be learning about Bonfire Night.

We will:

- Listen to the story of Rama and Sita and use puppets / role-play to re-enact the story in our own words.
- Sequence pictures of the story.
- Write Diwali cards.
- Listen to a range of non-fiction books to find out how Hindu's celebrate this Festival.
- Create Mehndi and Rangoli patterns.
- Brainstorming vocabulary related to bonfire night.
- Listening to and learning a range of bonfire night poems.
- Introduce the following vocabulary: **victory, defeat and wealth.**

You might want to:

- Talk to your child about the celebrations you take part in as a family.
- Share books about Diwali with your child.
- If the opportunity arises, you might want to visit the Golden Mile in Leicester, where there are always some amazing Diwali celebrations to enjoy.

Phonics:

We will be learning the sounds:



Down the wing up the wing



Down a horn, up a horn and  
under the yak's head



Down up, down up

You might want to:

- Practise saying the sound of each letter,
- Read your school reading book daily and spotting these new sounds
- Play 'I spy with my little eye' using initial sounds
- Use crayons, sand, chalk or paint to practise forming the letters correctly.
- Blending the sounds learnt to say or read 2 and 3 letter words.

### **Mathematics:**

We will begin block 5 - 1,2,3,4,5. In this unit of work we will:

- Find 4 and 5.
- Subitize 4 and 5.
- Represent 4 and 5.
- Investigate 1 more and 1 less.
- Composition of 4 and 5.

### **Key questions to support this unit:**

How many are there altogether?

- How many did you count?
- How many different ways can you find 4/5?
- Where can you see 4/5?

### **Possible sentence stems**

- I counted...
- There are 4/5...
- There are .....altogether.
- I can see...

**Here is a book list of recommended books that you can share with your child through Block 5 of our mathematical learning.**

Witches Four by Marc Brown

- Five Little Fiends by Sarah Dyer
- Pete the Cat and his Four Groovy Buttons by Eric Litwin
- Kipper's Birthday by Mick Inkpen

- The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
- Stella to Earth! by Simon Puttock and Philip Hopman
- Anno's Counting Book by Mitsumasa Anno

### **Understanding the World:**

- In science, we will be investigating what happens at night, based on the story, 'Wow said the Owl!'

### **Expressive arts and design:**

- Create Diva lamps.
- Create Rangoli and Mehndi patterns.
- Listening to traditional Hindu music.
- Art based on fireworks.
- Looking at the work of Kandinsky - concentric circles.

### **Physical Development:**

**PE will be on Fridays. Please ensure that all jewellery is removed before school and that hair is tied back. Your child will also need their water bottles in school.**