

Week Commencing 27th October 2025

Next week EYFS will learn about ...

Literacy/Understanding the World: 'Celebrations around the world' -The Story of Diwali.

We will continue looking at non-fiction books to find out about the Festival of Diwali and we will be learning about the Diwali story of Rama and Sita.

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.

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: x, ch, ng, nk.

You might want to:

- Practise saying the sound of each letter.
- Read your school reading book daily, 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. We will continue block 5 - 1,2,3,4,5. This week we will:

- Investigate 1 more and 1 less.
- Investigate the composition of 4 and 5.

Key questions to support this unit:

More/less

- How many are there?
- How many are there now?
- What is 1 more than ?
- What is the number after ?
- What is the number before ?

Composition

- How many ways can you make 4/5?
- How can you show 4/5 in a different way?
- What parts can you see?
- What is the whole?

Possible sentence stems

- There are-----.
- There are -----altogether.
- -----is 1 more/less than-----.

- 1 more/less than----- is-----.
- -----is 1 less than-----.

Composition

-----is a part and -----is a part.

- If -----is a part, then the other part must be-----.
- ----- is a part of-----.
- The whole is-----.

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:

- We will be finding out about the festival of Diwali.

Expressive arts and design:

- We will create clay diva lamps.
- We will listen to Indian music.

- We will use different tools to create Rangoli patterns
- We will begin practising the songs for our Nativity Play.

Physical Development:

PE will be on Wednesday. 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.