

## MEDLOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL

### In Autumn Term 2 the Reception classes theme will be "Let's Celebrate"

#### **Communication & Language. Literacy**

The children are all taking part in daily phonics lessons learning their alphabet sounds and putting these together to read and spell simple words. Children will take part in reading practise sessions and guided writing sessions where they will be able to put what they have learnt in phonics into practise.

We will continue to work on how to listen carefully and make it explicit to children that this is one way that we learn.

**Literacy development:** This half term we will be sharing stories that involve different celebrations. We will be learning about features of non fiction texts such as recipes, invitations, letters and cards. We will be having a go at using some key features of this type of writing and understand that writing has a purpose. Children will be exposed to new vocabulary which will be repeated regularly so they can understand it and use it themselves.

**Mathematical Development:** We will focus on counting for a purpose, saying one number name for one object and understanding that the last number we say when counting tells us how many there are. Children will be deepening their understanding of numbers up to 5 and thinking about what smaller numbers are inside them. The children will also be comparing amounts of objects and developing their understanding of the language 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'equal'.

**Understanding the World:** We will be learning about a variety of celebrations that our children take part in ie Halloween and Bonfire Night and other celebrations from around the world ie Diwali. We will be learning about how people celebrate different festivals and the foods that people prepare for celebrations.

**Expressive art and Design:** We are continuing to learn how to colour mix and help the children to make the colours they want to represent. In our junk modelling area we will be encouraging the children to think about and discuss what they want to make. We will be learning new songs and rhymes and repeating these regularly.

#### **Physical Development**

This half term we will continue to take part in weekly P.E. sessions with our P.E coach. We will be learning how to take part in invasion games and continuing to develop our ball skills. In our outdoor environment we practising the skills we have learnt in P.E and using the equipment in a variety of ways.

#### **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

We will be continuing to encourage playing co-operatively and taking turns with others. The children are learning to take account of one another's ideas. Staff will model showing sensitivity to others' needs and feelings.

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Experiences	
Week 1	Spooky week dressing up in costumes
Week 2	Making pumpkin soup
Week 3	Visiting book fair with class
Week 4	Making gingerbread men
Week 5	Pantomime
Week 6 and 7	Visit from Santa Christmas party

Key Learning Focus	
Celebrations	Festivals ie Diwali, bonfire night halloween, Christmas.
2 and 3D Shapes Measure	Names and properties. Weight
Similarities and Differences	Learning about different festivals around the world and how they are similar and different..
Composition Comparison of numbers	What numbers to 5 are made up of. Fewer than, more than
Performing	Singing Christmas songs.

Key Vocabulary	
Celebrate, celebration, party, festival	Halloween, pumpkins Gingerbread, birthdays
Circle, square, triangle rectangle, Cylinder, pyramid , cube cuboid, sphere	Heavy, light heavier ... big , large, small, tiny
Properties - sides, corners, straight, curved, edges, faces.	
Same, similar, similarities	Different, differences
Once upon a time, one day, unfortunately, luckily.	Front cover, back cover, title, picture, words, sentence, full stop, capital letter, finger spaces.

Stories	
Week 1	Pumpkin Soup
Week 2	Pumpkin Soup Recipes
Week 3	Gingerbread Man
Week 4	Gingerbread man Recipes
Week 5	Kippers Birthday
Week 6	Kippers Birthday
Week 7	The Christmas story

Rhymes & Songs	
Week 1	Revise Halloween song
Week 2	5 Little Pumpkins
Week 3/4	Gingerbread man rhyme
Week 5	Happy birthday song in English and French <a href="https://www.rocketlanguages.com/french/lessons/happy-birthday-in-french">https://www.rocketlanguages.com/french/lessons/happy-birthday-in-french</a>
Week 6	Christmas songs
Week 7	Christmas songs from around

Parent sessions
Phonics parents meeting/workshop Date TBC