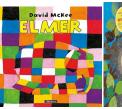
# Nursery Curriculum Planner: Autumn 2: Let's Celebrate



## Key books for this half term:



















## My First Diwali

This book is about what happens during Diwali.

## Key vocabulary:

Diwali, diva, rice, rangoli, food, shapes.

### The Best Diwali Ever

This book is about a girl making Diwali a special celebration, with yummy sweets, divas and pretty clothes.

### Key vocabulary:

Ariana, Diwali, celebration, sweets, divas, clothes, fireworks, rangoli patterns.

#### Elmer

This book is about a patchwork elephant called Elmer that is different to the other elephants. Elmer starts to wonder what it would be like to be the same as the other elephants.

## Key vocabulary: Elmer, patchwork, col-

Elmer, patchwork, colours, multi coloured, grey, same, different.

# Wow! said the owl.

This book is about a curious owl who decides to stay awake all day instead of at night. He learns the world is bursting with colour.

#### **Key vocabulary**: Owl, wow, day, night, sleep, colours

## Mog's Christmas

This book is about a cat that finds it difficult to understand what is happening as a family prepare for Christmas.

#### **Key Vocabulary:** Cat, Mog, Christmas. Tree. Decora-

tions, Family, Fish.

## <u>Dear Santa</u>

This book is about Santa sending lots of presents that are different shapes and sizes.

Key vocabulary: Santa, presents, car, small, kite, big, ball, paints, trumpet, mask, cat.

## Stick Man Stick man is about a

stick that is taken to many places that he doesn't want to go. **Key vocabulary**: Stick, man, wooden, family, tree, wife, girl, children, dog, swan, flag, snow, boy, snow-

man, fire, Santa, toys,

sleigh, home.

## <u>Winnie in Winter</u>

Winnie is a witch who lives in a house in winter that is cold and she wishes for it to be warm again.

### Key vocabulary:

Winnie, winter, Wilbur, cold, snow, snowman ice, spell, summer, sun, warm, flowers, hot, animals, people, Santa, ice-cream.

## One Snowy Night

Percy the park keeper has a visit from lots of animals who need a place to stay on a winter night.

#### Key vocabulary:

Percy, Park keeper, winter, cold, squirrel, rabbits, fox, badger, ducks, hedgehog, mice, mole.

# Learning experiences: Diwali celebrations.

We will be learning about what happens during Diwali. Children will have the opportunity to talk about their own experiences.

# Learning experiences: Learning about colours.

We will be learning the names of colours and talking about where we see particular colours.

## Learning experiences: Christmas

We will be learning about what happens during Christmas. Children will have the opportunity to talk about their own experiences.

## Learning experiences: Winter

We will be learning about what happens during winter. The children will have the opportunity to look at snow and ice.

## Visits, Visitors & Memorable Experiences

- Visiting Forest School for the first time.
- Craft workshop for parents in December.
- Having a visit from Santa.

## Songs and Rhymes

- Diwali Shines the Light.
- We Wish You a Merry Christmas.
- Jingle Bells.

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#### Physical Development:

#### Gross Motor Skills (big body movements)

The children will participate in Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle lessons. Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle impacts on writing with instant results. We will learn nine separate dances that provide the missing link between mark making and letter formation.

#### Fine Motor Skills (small movements of the hands)

The children will participate in Dough Disco lessons. Dough Disco is a selection of fine muscle exercises that support child to develop the muscles in their fingers so that they are ready to write letters.











**PSED:** We will be learning our EYFS rules which are:

# We care

Squiggle







- We will develop ways of being assertive.
- We will start to show how they are feeling using words and
- We will begin to talk about our feelings.
- We will begin to understand how others might be feeling.
- We will begin to show 'effortful control' by beginning to follow rules.

#### Understanding the World:

- We will begin to make sense of their own life-story and family's history
- We will develop positive attitudes about the differences between people.

## How can you learn at home? Encouraging independence:

Teach your child to use the toilet independently.

Teach your child to wash their hands independently.

Teach your child how to get dressed independently, including pulling up their own pants and trousers.

Teach your child to put on their own coat and shoes.

#### Celebrations:

Can you talk about what you celebrate with your family at home?

Can you bring a picture of your family celebrating to school to show your friends?

## Singing and rhymes:

Practise singing nursery rhymes at home. You can use : Nursery Rhymes and Songs -BBC Teach.

#### Literacy: We will have story time every day! Reading:

- We will begin to join in and sing songs.
- We will enjoy sharing books with an adult.
- We will repeat words and phrases from familiar stories.

#### Writing:

We will enjoy drawing and making marks freely.

Story Sacks: We will retell stories with help from puppets and story

Poetry Basket: We will learn poems off by heart and perform them.



#### Expressive Arts and Design:

- We will take part in simple pretend play, using an object to represent something else.
- We will move and dance to music.
- We will begin to join in with songs and rhymes.

#### Maths:

- We will talk about and identify the patterns e.q. stripes on clothes, designs on rugs and paper, using informal language like spotty, blobs, pointy, stripy etc.
- We will start to recognise of up to 3 objects, without having to count them individually.
  - We will compare amounts.

#### Communication and Language:

- We will start to say how we are feeling, using words as well as actions.
- We will listen to simple stories and understand what is happening, with the help of the pictures.
- We will start to understand and act on longer sentences.
- We will begin to understand simple questions.