Holy Ghost EYFS Newsletter

Hello Reception!

Welcome back! We hope you all had a wonderful half term break and are ready for all of the glitter and tinsel in the run up to Christmas! Our topic this half term is **Festivals and Celebrations**: we started with Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day before learning about Diwali, birthdays and, of course, Christmas!

Reminders

- **Celebration photos**: If you have any photos showing your child celebrating their birthday, bonfire night, Diwali or Christmas, please could you share these on Tapestry for us to share with the class! Thank you to everyone who already has done so.

- **Christmas Nativity**: We will soon begin practicing our songs for the Nativity. You will also receive a letter asking for you to provide a named costume closer to our performance dates.

Dates

- Friday 6th November: PTA Quiz Night
- w/b 16th November: Anti-bullying week



Next Week

- **Phonics**: We start the week with the digraphs **v**, **w**, **x** and **y**. Our tricky words are **and**, **has**, **his** and **her**.
- **English**: This week we are thinking about moving to a new place what which important belongings we'd like to bring with us. We will also be using recycling to make our own instruments!
- **Understanding the World**: This week we are learning about **Remembrance Day**. We will learn about who and what we remember and the children will participate in the two minutes' silence with the rest of the school.
- **RE**: We will learn all about the **Annunciation** and have the opportunity to draw our own angels!
- **Maths**: We will continue to look at the composition of numbers to 10 before recapping more and less. On Friday we will continue learning about circles and triangles.

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Communication and Language

This week the children have been sharing their half term news with the class. They have also shared photos of them celebrating birthdays and Christmas too.



Physical Development

Inside we focussed on our fine motor skills and have been very carefully placing buttons along firework tracks, whilst outside we have been building our very own bonfires!



RE

We were introduced to the CAFOD character Luc the deer who reminds us that everyone is special and valued. We drew portraits to show how we are made in God's image.



Literacy

It has been a very busy week for us! First, we drew fireworks and described them, then we predicted what would happen in our story and finally we wrote different greetings onto speech bubbles.



Maths

This week we worked with our talk partners to make collections of 5 from different objects around the classroom. We used feathers, pencils, gluesticks and even food from our home corner!



Understanding the World

This week's learning has been all about Bonfire Night. Not only have we learnt a brief history but we have also learnt the famous rhyme!



Expressive Arts and Design

Continuing our firework theme, we have used cupcake cases, chalk, paint and toilet rolls to make our very own firework pictures. They are now proudly displayed in our classroom!



Look after children in cold weather

Wandsworth Council

Dress children in layers, including hats and gloves. Make sure coats and shoes are waterproof.



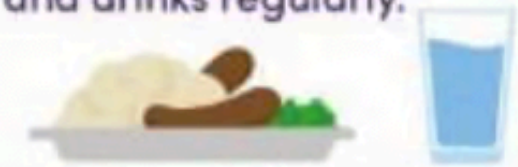
Heat rooms children spend most time in to at least 18°C.



Make sure children get their flu vaccine and stay up to date with routine immunisations.



Provide warm meals and drinks regularly.



Open windows regularly to prevent damp and mould.



Wash hands regularly and use tissues for coughs and sneezes to stop infections spreading.



If you're worried about your child's health, contact your local pharmacist, your GP or NHS 111.