



Reception (FS2) Curriculum Map

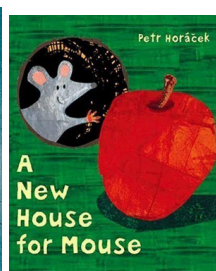
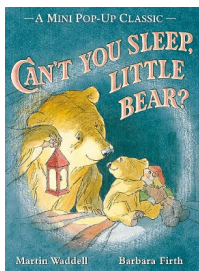
Autumn 2, 2025

Topic Theme- Light and Dark

This half term our topic is 'Light and Dark'. We are learning about; light, day, dark, shadows, light sources, autumnal changes, hibernating animals, daily activities when it is light or dark (morning or night), Winter and festivals/celebrations.

Light and Dark Core Books

We will be reading these fiction and nonfiction books to support our 'Light and Dark' topic lessons and learning.



Prime Areas of Learning

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

Our focus this half term is to help your child to;

- Develop confidence working with others and sharing their ideas
- Continue building positive relationships with others in play and communicating
- Consider the thoughts and feelings of others linking to the British Values of tolerance, respect and individual liberty.

Communication and Language (CL)

We will learn keywords, vocabulary and Makaton signs linked to our topic, Light and Dark.

To develop early language and oracy skills, we will continue to;

- Expand our sentences using colourful semantics, listening comprehension and sentence repetition

Physical Development (PD)

We will be developing gross motor muscles through climbing, running and jumping.

We will be supporting your child to form recognisable letters using their fine motor muscles. Mark making patterns will be used to further enhance letter formation and early writing skills.

	activities. - Continue to use NELI and Chatterbox to develop vocabulary. - Talk for Writing (T4W) in Literacy sessions	
<u>Specific Areas of Learning</u>		
<u>Literacy (L)</u> We will be reading a selection of stories together about our 'Light and Dark' topic. Your child will be encouraged to; - Develop their drawing skills and describe what they have drawn - Begin to form recognisable letters with a dominant hand <u>Phonics</u> This term we will; - Continue Phase 2 phonics lessons - Support your child in sound pronunciation and oral blending - Support writing graphemes (letters) - Begin weekly guided reading sessions	<u>Maths (M)</u> We follow White Rose Maths (WRM) which teaches maths using a mastery approach. The WRM topics we will cover this term are; - Continuing 1-3 using 5 frames, rekenreks, Numberblocks and objects for counting - Circles and Triangles - Representing, comparing and composing 1-5 We will be continuing our Number Talks sessions that support subitising, counting and early addition to 5.	<u>Understanding the World (UTW)</u> We will learn about the environment around us, season changes, space, nocturnal animals, hibernation and light sources. We will also recap Diwali and discuss similarities with Bonfire Night (use of fireworks). <u>Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)</u> Your child will be; - Supported in developing their artistic and creative skills - Making our own shape rockets - Recapping materials we used to make a Diwali Diva lamp
<u>Useful Links and Websites</u> These apps can be accessed on the school website and home learning tab. - Collins Ebooks (Decodable Phonics books) - IXL, Numbots (maths) Additional websites to support learning: - Number Blocks and Colour Blocks (BBC Iplayer/Youtube Kids) - Top Marks Early Years Games -	<u>Ways You Can Help At Home</u> -Support independence -Engaging with maths using IXL, Numbots -Discuss with your child the weekly phonics lessons content that is posted to Class Dojo. -Reading with your child using Collins Ebooks (online phonics book) and the reading for pleasure book.	<u>Key Dates</u> Festival and Celebrations: Bonfire Night activities- 5th November Library Visit- 6th November: Parent volunteers needed! Remembrance Day activities- 11th November D.E.A.R- 12th November World Nursery Rhyme Week (WNRW): 10th-14th November - Celebrating the wonder of nursery rhymes Photos- 17th November Light and Dark Learning Journey Assembly: Details to be shared via Class Dojo.

	-Subitising amounts to 3 then 5	Last day of term: Friday 19th December Additional enhancements will be put on Class Dojo.
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