

# Nursery Autumn 2

Our topic this half term is...

## Let's Celebrate!



Welcome back after the break, we hope you all had a nice rest. Our topic for this half term is 'Let's Celebrate', where we will be finding out about different celebrations such as Remembrance Day, Bonfire night, and Christmas.

We will continue to acknowledge other festivals throughout this academic year.

### Key Learning Understanding

This half term, we will explore festivals and celebrations.

We will compare and contrast different traditions and cultures.



### How can you help?

Talk to your child about different family celebrations and traditions.

Discuss:

**What do we celebrate?**

**Why do we celebrate?**

**How do we celebrate?**

**Who celebrates?**

*Feel free to send your child with some photos of any celebrations. Please let the nursery staff know so that we share it in class and return it back on the same day.*



### Key Vocabulary

Party	Celebrations
Birthday	Same
Different	Bonfire Night
Fire	Safe
Fire fighters	
Remembrance Day	
Poppy	Christmas
Light	Dark
Candles	
Invitation	Thank you cards
Advent	Winter
Cold	Season



If you have any questions about this topic or on how to support your child further, please speak to your child's teacher.



## Literacy

We will continue to teach phonics following the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds.

### Little Wandle website

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

This half term we will be focusing on these **5** story books



## Physical Development

The children will have access to the outdoors to develop strong gross motor skills and will have fine motor activities in our Continuous Provision which will all help to develop the muscle strength and dexterity to work towards a good pencil grip and balance and coordination.

Our aim is to get the children going to Year R, to use a tripod grip when using a pencil and use scissors to snip a piece of paper safely.



## Nursery Rhymes

Twinkle, Twinkle little star and  
then Christmas star  
Wind the bobbin up...  
Jingle Bells  
Little Jack Horner  
Father Christmas  
When Santa got stuck up the...  
Here we go around the  
mulberry...to Christmas tree  
See the sleeping bunnies...

### Number Rhymes

1,2,3,4,5  
5 Little Monkeys jumping on  
the bed  
5 Little Ducks

## Mathematical Development

Singing number rhymes  
*Learning to recite numbers to  
10 and back.*  
Counting up to 5 objects.  
*Recognising numerals 1,2 and 3.*  
*Sorting shapes*  
Making a pattern using one  
criterion.  
**For example:**



**Cold weather- Please ensure your child brings suitable outdoor clothing for the cold weather, including a named hat and gloves.**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Meet the teacher:  
W/b 10.11.2025

Play and Stay Sessions:  
Christmas Performance and Stay and play  
**December 10<sup>th</sup> 2025**  
**More information to follow**

Key dates for the 2026/2027 school year  
Applications close: January 15, 2026

