St Paul's CE Primary School Nursery Curriculum Overview Autumn Term Two 2023

Week Beginning: 30th

October

Book: Can't You Sleep

Little Bear

The children will:

- Understand the difference between light and dark.
- Learn that even a small amount of light means that it is not completely dark.
- Discuss how to overcome fears and who can support and care for us when we are scared.
- Begin to use some size related language.

Key vocabulary: light, dark, night, day, lantern

Week Beginning: 6th

November

Theme: Diwali and Fireworks

The children will:

- Learn about the Hindu/Sikh festival of Diwali. The story behind it and how it is
- celebrated.
- Make fireworks pictures using a variety of different media.
- Make diva lamps
- Learn about Bonfire Night
- Experiment with different ways to make fireworks noises and movements.
- Learn about circles

Key Vocabulary: circle, Diwali, firework, bonfire, light, sound, explode, celebrate, Sikh, Hindu

Week Beginning: 13th

November

Book: Owl Babies

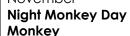
The children will:

- Learn more information about owls.
- Create owl pictures with feathers.
- Be reminded we can trust our grown-ups when they tell us something.
- Practise moving around whilst making little/no noise like an owl.
- Continue practising nativity songs.
- Learn about triangles.

Key Vocabulary: owl, owlette, branch, scared, trust, triangle

Week Beginning: 20th November

Theme: Light and Dark



The children will:

- Learn that some animals are active in the day and some at night.
- Learn about common British nocturnal animals (fox, owl, bat, badger)
- Learn why sleep is so important for our health.
- Start practising songs for the nativity.
- Learn about squares

Key Vocabulary: night, day, light, dark, nocturnal, diurnal, sleep, rest, square

Week Beginning: 27th November

Book: Whatever Next

The children will:

- Make space rockets from junk modelling materials.
- Role play the story.
- Learn the simple features of the night sky (moon and stars)
- Practise full run-throughs of the nativity and make props.
- Think about where in space we would like to visit.

Key Vocabulary: sky, moon, stars, rocket, space, helmet, boots

Week Beginning: 4th December

Book: Peace at Last

The children will:

- Think and listen to the different noises we hear around us and particularly at night time.
- Learn the names of different rooms and common features of our homes.
- Imitate some of the noises we hear.
- Start to learn lines and actions for the nativity.
- Learn about rectangles.

Key Vocabulary: rectangle, noises, sounds, bedroom, living room, kitchen,



The children will:

- Learn the story of the first Christmas.
- Learn why the Christmas story is so important for Christians.
- Learn how Christmas is celebrated in the UK.
- Learn how Christmas is celebrated around the world.
- Make Christmas themed crafts.

Key Vocabulary: Key Vocabulary: nativity, Christmas, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, stable, shepherds, wise men,



Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 31st October and Wednesday 1st November:

Parents' Evenings

Friday 8th December: **Nursery and Recption Trip to Watermans Theatre**

Friday 15th December 10am: **Early Years (Nursery & Reception) Christmas Nativity**

Tuesday 19th December: **Nursery**

Christmas Party

Thursday 21st December: Last day

of Winter Term:

Monday 8th January 2024: First

Day of the Spring Term