



Curriculum Newsletter for ARP Autumn 2 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,


Welcome back to the second autumn term in ARP. I would like to share our online Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day will continue to be on Tuesdays. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and black indoor plimsoles. Please label all PE kit.

Homework and reading books for ARP go out on Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on the following Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time. Nursery children may borrow a book from our class library. Please return this when you would like it to be changed.

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Please take a look at our Curriculum Map for this half term.

A background image showing children celebrating with colorful balloons and confetti. The children are smiling and some are blowing out candles on a cake.

In Literacy we will continue to practice reading and writing letter sounds from phase 1 & 2 and use these to read and write words and captions. We will be looking at the traditional stories central to the festivals of Diwali and Chanukah.

In Mathematics we will be exploring and learning to write the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. Pupils will also practice reading, counting and matching the numbers. The pupils will also be sorting big and small.

We will be continuing to develop our communication skills including signs, Pecs, photos and objects. We will be thinking and practising how to solve everyday problems. We will be looking at food eating at lots of different types of celebrations.

We will be learning new vocabulary linked to the season and learning some exciting new sensory stories.

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In 'Understanding the World' we will be learning about birthdays, celebrations and the festival of Chanukah.

We will be talking about the changes to the days in autumn and winter and how we can stay safe in the dark. We will be using torches and how we use light during the winter.

In Music we will be exploring different instruments and using them to add sound effects to familiar songs. We will be listening and singing songs for Chanukah and adding movements to the music.

In PE we will be learning to roll, aim, throw and catch balls and beanbags. We will be learning to balance in different ways.

In Art we will be exploring different mediums including paint, chalk, coloured paper and clay to explore colours and shapes. We will also be making our own Chanukiah.

In Jewish studies we will be listening to songs and stories about Chanukah. We will be playing games and doing activities with torches and making our own Chanukiah. We will also be looking at food connected to the holiday.