

Things to do at home:

- * Keep reading, writing and mark making! Can you retell your favourite stories and rhymes to your grown-ups? Make writing fun! By writing your Christmas list, Christmas cards and labelling your toys!
- * Count at home! How many teddies do you have? How many doors are in your house? How many baubles will you put on the Christmas tree? Can you write that number?
- * Try and put your coat on and get dressed by yourself.
- * Visit www.hungrylittleminds.campaign.gov.uk for some great home based learning activities.

Notices

- * We will be practising and recording our Nativity this year which will be sent to parents as a video—please look out for more information to follow in the next few weeks!
- * PE is on a Tuesday and Thursday please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit.
- * Homework and Reading Books will be checked and given out on a Friday. Please make sure they are in school.
- * As the Early Years curriculum involves access to the indoor and outdoor environment, please ensure your child has a named pair of wellies and puddle suit in school

If ever unsure, please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff.

Chestnut Class



Curriculum Newsletter

**Autumn Term 2
2020**

This half term, we will be covering the topic:

Festivals and Celebrations!

In Chestnut Class, we will be learning about different festivals and celebrations that are enjoyed around the world.

We will be sharing our ideas and experiences of participating in different celebrations with our friends and families.

We will be exploring similarities and differences between a variety of celebrations and festivals including:

- * Bonfire Night
- * Diwali
- * Remembrance Day
- * Birthdays
- * Advent
- * Christmas

We will be learning through the seven areas of our Early Years curriculum. Here are some examples of the exciting things that we will be doing!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- * Learning to take turns and share
- * Forming positive relationships with peers and adults
- * Developing confidence to speak in a group
- * Working as a team

Communication and Language

- * Role-play activities
- * Listening to and engaging in conversations with friends and teachers
- * Understanding and answering 'how' and 'why' questions
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Physical Development

- * Developing ball skills
- * Dance and movement activities
- * Fine motor activities

Literacy

- * Listening and exploring sound patterns
- * Reading and writing independently
- * Listening to and reading a range of texts, both fiction and non-fiction

Mathematics

- * Reading, recognising and writing numbers
- * Comparing amounts
- * Introducing measurement
- * Positional language

Understanding The World

- * Talking about how we celebrate with our families
- * Learning about festivals and celebrations in different cultures and religions
- * Accessing our learning digitally

Expressive Arts and Design

- * Free-choice creative area
- * Exploring a variety of musical instruments
- * Creating movement to music