

We have started a weekly library session on a Friday. The children will have a chance to choose a book and keep it for a week. Please keep them in your child's book bag.



Jigsaws help children to look for and recognise different colours and shapes. This is a good pre-reading skill as children have to recognise different letter shapes and words.



Colouring pictures encourages your child to hold and use pens/crayons correctly and develop control when using them as well as encouraging children to discuss the colours they are using.

Have a go at making a colour and shape book and bring it into school to show us.

Encourage your child to look for shapes and patterns in the environment when out and about. Encourage your child to name and describe the shapes. Model language such as curved, round and straight.

Play lots of turn-taking games. Board games give lots of opportunity for turn-taking.

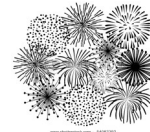
Get involved in our core book activities by finding out about bears together, go on a colour hunt and collect various coloured items to make a colour scrapbook. Does your child know most colours? Once you've read the story together at home, find out about the other animals in the book. Where do they live? Which is their favourite animal and why?

Our theme this half term is...

Colour and Light

We will be basing a lot of our activities around our core book - **Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What can you see? By Bill Martin Jr.** Our core book will be sent home for you to enjoy with your child. We will also be exploring colour and shape as well as celebrating Bonfire Night and Christmas.

There are various cultural celebrations around this time of year. Talk to your children about cultural and religious differences and how we all have different celebrations.



When sharing books with your child, discuss what they can see on the front cover, talk about the author, illustrator and blurb. What might the story be about? Encourage your child to tell the story using the pictures. Change the ending of the story. Have fun with books!

Write a letter to Santa and 'Santa' writes back.



Make your own Christmas cards and tree decorations. Hand printing is a great way to do this - Google 'Santa Handprints'.



Winter is around the corner - please can all hats, scarves and gloves be named. We will be encouraging the children to put their own hat, scarf and gloves on - great for fine motor development!



Many thanks for sending in money for baking/snack. This provides the children with the experience of baking and gives them a variety of foods for snack time. The cost for this half term is £2.50. Many thanks.

CHALLENGE

If your child is still unable to put on and fasten their own coat please continue supporting them with this challenge!

This term's challenge is...
Take off and put on your shoes

Key Dates this term:

Nursery Christmas Party. (date to be finalised) Children to come to Nursery dressed in their best party clothes and hopefully the big man in red will make an appearance! Further information will be sent nearer the time.