

I wonder what happens in the dark? Knowledge Organiser - Reception

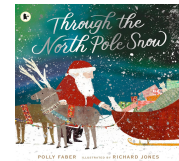
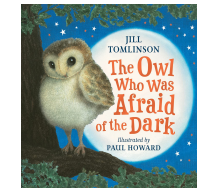
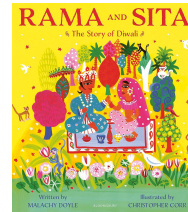
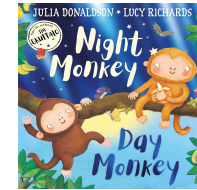
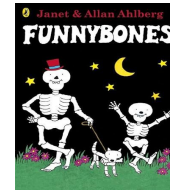
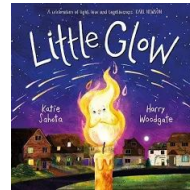
In Reception this half term...

We are learning about what happens in the dark. We will be looking at the celebrations of Diwali and Bonfire Night as well as day and night animals. We will then move onto our winter theme before finishing with a Christmas text.

Key Knowledge

- Diwali and Christmas are religious celebrations.
- Some animals are nocturnal and come out at night.
- The weather changes due to the different seasons.
- That people experience different emotions.

Our core books this half term are...



Click on the book to listen to the story on Youtube



Reading

Your child will be learning letter sounds, common tricky words, and how to read simple 2- to 3-letter words (like *cat* or *in*)

Writing

Your child will be learning how to write letter shapes and use 2-3 letter words to write a label.

Maths

Your child will find one more and one less up to 5, and sequence events using words like *before* and *after*. We will also be learning to identify, compare, and combine 2D shapes like circles, triangles, and four-sided shapes.

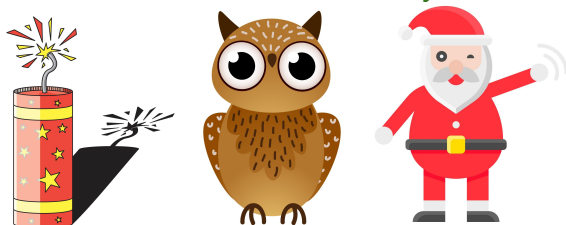
Physical Social and Emotional Health

Your child will learn to understand feelings and how to work with others. They will also learn more about independence and following instructions.

Understanding the World

Your child will observe weather changes across autumn and winter, and discuss historical events like Bonfire Night through stories. We will also be exploring different faiths, traditions, and global cultures, comparing them to their own experiences.

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Expressive Art and Design

Your child will learn to mix colours, create patterns, and describe their artwork. We will also be learning to sing songs, keep rhythms on instruments, and retell stories using props.

Physical Development

Your child will learn to express emotions, follow classroom rules and two-step instructions, and complete tasks independently. We will also be learning to Control tools to trace and write, dress independently, and build balance and body coordination.

What Can You Do At Home?

- Can you draw a picture of fireworks from Bonfire Night? Add sounds to your picture like 'pop' and 'bang'
- Can you go on an autumn walk and collect lots of different autumnal items?
- Happy, Sad, Angry, Confused, Scared... Can you draw these emotions?
- Can you get dressed all by yourself? Can you put on your coat and zip it up?
- Can you write a Christmas list to Father Christmas? What would you like this year?
- Can you use a paper plate and other craft materials to create an owl?