

Nursery Peek at the Week

Weekly News

In Nursery this week, we have been talking about all of the lovely fireworks that we have seen in the sky. We have talked about the different colours we can see in fireworks and we have had lots of phonics fun recreating different firework sounds. We have been reading the story of Little Glow; the story revolves around a little candle flame who is present at every event celebrating light - Luna New Year, Diwali, Christmas, and events where a candle is present including birthdays. We will be revisiting this book when we find out about how some of these other festivals are celebrated.

This week we have been focussing on Diwali and the different things that people do to celebrate this festival. Please see the photographs below to find out what we have been learning.

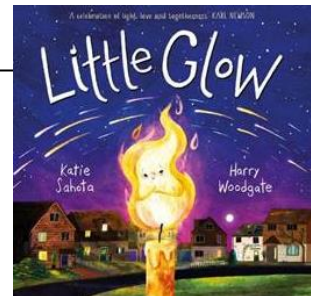
Next week we are looking forward to celebrating Nursery rhyme week and exploring lots of rhyming activities.

We have also enjoyed our Phonics Workshop for parents/carers this week and it was lovely to see parents/carers who are eager to find out how best to support their children as they learn the foundations which will help the children to read and write.

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Dip and Do

These are some ideas of things that you may like to do to support your child's learning at home.

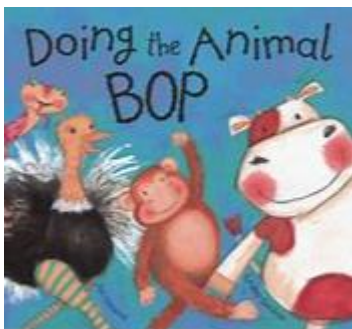
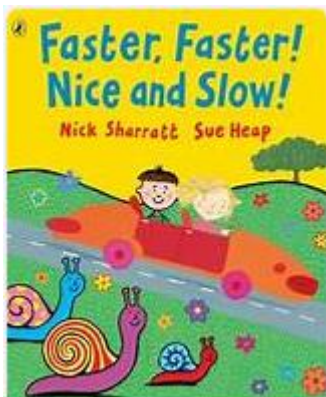
- Can you learn the nursery rhyme for your nursery rhyme costume?
- Can you draw or make a model of your favourite nursery rhyme character?
 - Can you find rhyming objects in your house?
- Can you talk about some of the things that people do to celebrate Diwali? You may find the video below useful for information:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali>



What have we been doing in Nursery?

3-a-day Stories: The children have learnt our last 3 a day stories really well. These are our new 3 a day stories for this half term:



Please show your child these pictures and encourage them to talk about them.





We have been painting our own bonfire outside and using chalk on the floor to make Rangoli patterns and large firework pictures.

What colours did we use?

Why did we use these colours?

Why do we have to be safe near a bonfire and fireworks?

Having the opportunity to paint using large-scale movements helps children to develop their core muscles and control. This is an important step in writing development. Maybe you can help your child to paint or draw in large scale. You can paint using paintbrushes and water if you want to avoid the mess.



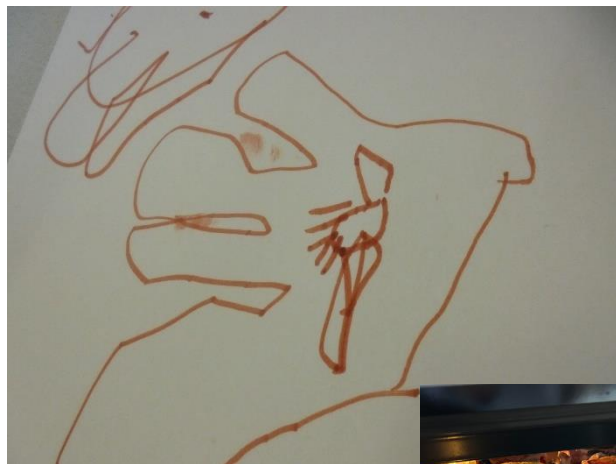
We have also been using chalk to draw fireworks pictures and some of the children have used the chalks to draw other pictures. This has been a lovely opportunity for the children to give meaning to their marks (explain what they have drawn).

Can you draw a picture at home and talk about what you have drawn.



We have been finding out about Mehndi patterns that some people have on their hands when celebrating Diwali.

Maybe you could use face paints to put some real Mehndi patterns onto your hands. We would love to see photographs!



We mixed ingredients to make our own salt dough. The children enjoyed needing in colour to make the dough into the colour they wanted. We then made Divas with our dough and decorated them.

What happened when we mixed the flour, salt and water?

What happened when we cooked the divas in the oven?

Playing with playdough and other dough helps the children to develop their finger muscles that they need to develop pen control. Can you make something with dough at home?



Wows of the Week



I made a hot air balloon it
can float in the sky. It has
fire. Look!



I will give you a lift.
Everybody get on my tail. Be
gentle. We are rescuing
babies. Maybe we need a
larger one.



Baby in my tummy.

Important Dates

Friday 17th November Nursery Rhyme Dress Up Day Children to come to school dressed as their favourite Nursery Rhyme character. We would like them to try and recite their rhyme too.

Friday 17th November 8:30am-9:15am or 2:30-3:15pm Early Birds Session: Rhyme Please come to join us for the beginning of the morning session or the end of the afternoon session to join in with some of our rhyming activities. These will give you ideas of activities that you can do at home to help your child to learn about rhyme.

Wednesday 23rd November 7:30pm School Open Evening If you would like to find out more about our school before applying for your child's Reception place please attend one of our open events.

Thursday 14th December at 9.30am and Friday 15th December at 2:00pm: Nursery and Reception Nativity