

## This Week in Class 1 - 5.11.2018

### Our learning

The children would like to learn more about celebrations so this half term our theme will be "Let's Celebrate! Sparkle and Shine!" This week is going to be a busy week! We will learn about bonfire night, Diwali and Remembrance. Anthony's mum is kindly visiting us on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November to teach us more about fire safety.

This week we will listen to simplified stories of the Gunpowder Plot and the story of Rama and Sita. We will create diva lamps, role play how to stay safe at a bonfire, create rangoli patterns, design bonfire safety posters and create firework artwork.

We will also learn about Remembrance. We will create poppy art work and decorate poppy biscuits. If you have any family stories related to Remembrance we would love you to share them with us so that we can talk about them together in school. The staff will be sharing their own family Remembrance history too.

There will be lots of other exciting activities this week for the children to implement independently. The children can create fireworks using 2D shapes, write firework sounds on firework shaped card, record firework sounds on the talk tins, create firework drawings using the draw app on the i-pad, order numbers and amounts of fireworks up to 20 or beyond, count out sparkly pompom fireworks and match the numeral to the amount, design mehndi patterns, thread jewellery, create patterns, design a medal and sell poppies in the poppy shop.

In phonics, some of the reception children will learn the sounds j,v,w and x. The reception children who are secure with these sounds will learn more about the sounds ur,oi and ow. We will continue to build our understanding of initial sounds, segmenting and blending skills to read and spell, and we will work on reading sentences. We will continue to learn the tricky words and high frequency words. We will also work on our cursive letter formation and number formation. We also give many opportunities for the children to use and apply all of these skills throughout the day.

The nursery children will take part in phonics based activities that help develop their awareness of sounds around them. They will continue to enjoy using the instruments, playing listening games, enlivening stories and singing songs. This week they will also learn more about the sound i.

Remember to send in your little book of wonderful experiences and your proud clouds. It is great when you share your child's experiences and achievements with us!

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Coleman-Harris, Miss Wood and Mrs Morris