



Reception Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 2

Winter Wonderland

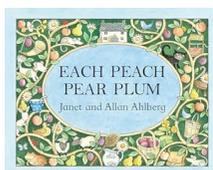
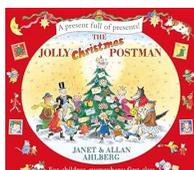
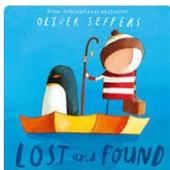
Hello!

Over the next half term we will embark on our new theme—**Winter Wonderland** including spending the final 3 weeks in December enjoying all things Christmas!

Literacy

We will be continuing with our phonic sessions in Read, Write, Inc and practising to form each letter. We will be practising our segmenting and blending skills.

Favourite Five— These are five books we are going to focus on in our story times and enjoy reading multiple times. **Lost and Found, Each Peach Plum Pear, Jonty Gentoo, Little Glow, The Jolly Christmas Postman.**



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We will continue to follow our jigsaw scheme of work where the next theme will be '**Celebrating Differences**'. Understanding that we are all different and that we can celebrate that and that we also have similarities with others.

Communication and Language

We will be practising our listening skills and developing our attention during our story times with our '**Favourite Five**' books. Whilst learning about our new theme we will be exposed to new vocabulary such as **Winter, season, freezing, melting, kneading, Artic**. During our 'Adventure Time' the children will be provided with lots of experiences, including a 'hot chocolate café' and 'wrapping present workshop' to extend their vocabulary and utilise our focus words.

Physical

During our PE lesson with coach Luke this term, the children will be focusing on gymnastics. Throughout the week, we shall also be continuing on with our 'Leap into Life' shorter PE lessons. We will also be developing our independence skills whilst learning to do our **zips up on our coats** and putting on our gloves.



Understanding the World

We will be exploring the season Winter using our senses to explore what we see, feel and hear during this season. We'll learn about the Artic—comparing how different the landscape is from where we live, and what animals that live there. We will also use globes and maps to identify the north and south pole and **explore melting ice and freezing water**. Moving into Christmas we will develop our kneading, rolling and stirring skills whilst making gingerbread men.

Expressive Arts and Design

Getting creative we will be creating our own poppies linked to remembrance day. We will also explore cold colours and paint our own Winter scenes. Come Christmas we will be **learning lots of new Christmas songs** and preparing for the nativity performance.



Maths

This term in maths, we will be look at 2D shapes. Going on a shape hunt and discussing the composition of each shape we find.

We will also be concentrating on the numbers 4 and 5. Looking at how we can make each number.



What can I do at home?

As we move into Winter, why don't you go on a Winter welly walk and explore the changes in the season. What can you see, hear, smell and touch? How is Winter different to Autumn? You may even like to start a scrap book for what you notice in each season.

