

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

Look at family photographs of celebrations the children have been to. Talk about why they were celebrating, what they did and who they saw. Talk about Birthdays, help your child remember when their own birthday is.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Talk to your child about what makes them special. Encourage them to discuss things they like to do and things they don't enjoy so much. During Anti-Bullying week we will focus on the importance of kind words.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Dressing independently - as the term progresses we expect the children to develop their dressing skills. At home, help them to organise the order they put on their clothes and talk about what to do. We are focusing on hand-washing this term. Encourage your child to wash their hands while singing Happy Birthday

LITERACY

Stories relating to festivals and celebrations will help the children to develop their knowledge.

The Story of Hanukkah

The Story of Rama and Sita

Elmer's Birthday - David McKee

I want two birthdays - Tony Ross

Jesus' Christmas Party - Nick Inkpen

Topic Vocab and useful links

MATHS

Stories that can help develop mathematical concepts
The Three Little Pigs, The Three Billy Goats Gruff, Peace at Last, Day Monkey - Night Monkey, Room on the Broom.
Numberblocks series 1 on BBC iPlayer.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD custom, celebration, festival, tradition, birthday, wedding, christening, Bonfire night, Diwali, fireworks, Hanukkah, Advent, Christmas, New Year.

RE:

Judaism: Jewish, Judaism, Menorah, Hanukah, Dreidel
Advent/Christmas: birthday, waiting, wreath, celebrate
Christmas, Advent, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, swaddling clothes, manger, crib, shepherds, wise men

EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

Line, thick, thin, wavy, straight, pencil, stick, chalk, pastel, felt tip, fabric, colour, pattern, shape