Let's Celebrate (Autumn 2) Topic Overview

Communication and Language

Learn new language, talking about objects, what they are doing and how they are feeling.

Talk and listen to others during play, describing objects using developing language. Listen to, as well as **talk about stories**, showing understanding. Use new songs and words during their play. Understand and develop listening skills.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

Develop friendships and begin to understand that others may have different feelings to them.

Be aware of rules and expectations at school, making friends and playing with others. Developing independence skills such as using the bathroom. Show more confidence in new social situations. Talk about their own feelings.

Physical Development

Move in new and more interesting ways, expressing themselves – fireworks, rockets etc.

Climb, swing and balance moving in different ways. Do things for themselves such as buttons and zips. Work together to move large objects. Use tools and equipment with 1 hand. Develop mark making skills with paint and other media.

Literacy

Read poems, stories and information texts about celebrations they and others take part in.

Sing songs and rhymes together and as a group. Sharing and reading new books, learning new words and talking about them. Make marks and ascribe meaning to them, sometimes using letter shapes.

Mathematics

Count more reliably – counting different objects. Talk about shapes and their properties.

Carefully count small groups of objects and quickly recognising up to 3 things. Do simple puzzles. Think about and talk about shapes and how they would use them.

Understanding the World

Talk about and find out about different celebrations from their own and other cultures.

Talk about and compare own and other people's cultures and traditions. Learn about how and why people celebrate. Compare celebrations with those of their own, and learn about things that make them the same and different to others.

Expressive Arts and Design

Explore different art forms and make choices about what to do. Singing, moving, and performing.

Make marks using different media. Join in singing songs and sing them with others. Enjoy simple role play and pretend play based on what they know. Use different materials to make new things.

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