



Belmore
PRIMARY SCHOOL
RECEPTION CURRICULUM
NEWSLETTER
AUTUMN TERM 2 2024

This term in Reception, your child will be participating in some exciting new learning. To get them ready for this and to support you in understanding some of what they will be learning at school, we have collated some ideas for you to enjoy together at home and out and about.

Topics we will be learning about:

- Exploring Autumn
- Sparkle and Shine (celebrations, birthdays, religious festivals, Christmas etc.)

Books we are sharing in school:

Tidy (A Pete the badger story) by Emily Gravett

Stickman by Julia Donaldson

The Big Freeze by Pippa Curnick

How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr Seuss

Non-fiction books about religious festivals

The Christmas Story

Books to read/listen to and share at home:

The Leaf Thief by Alice Hemming

Owl Babies by Martin Waddell

Rudey's Windy Christmas by Helen Baugh and Tim Mantel

Mince Spies by Mark Sperring

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Maths:

- Subitising to 5 (automatically recognising the amount of objects up to 5, without having to count them)
- Making different arrangements of numbers within 5 and talk about what they can see, to develop their conceptual subitising skills.
- Connect quantities and numbers to finger patterns and explore different ways of representing numbers on their fingers.

Things to create for Dojo points:



- A woodland or autumn scene on paper
- Making your own and modelling with playdough
- Writing, colouring, painting your name
- A 'stickman'
- Make a leaf crown
- Make outdoor 'paintbrushes' using sticks, leaves, mud and water
- A birthday card for a friend/family member
- A celebration card for a friend/family member

Places to visit:

- Autumn nature walk in a park, woods or forest to look at how the season brings new changes and to explore natural objects.
- The postbox to send a celebration card you have made.
- A card shop
- A Christmas shop
- Go on a Christmas light hunt

Websites to explore:

- BBC iplayer—'Numberblocks'
- Cbeebies Numberblocks Make and Play <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/numberblocks-make-and-play>
- BBC Bitesize—What is Diwali? <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zpvn3qt>
- Cbeebies—My First Festivals <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/my-first-festivals>