North Park Primary School

Information leaflet for Autumn 2, 2026
Nursery Mrs Willcock

This half term our topic is:

Celebrations and Festivals

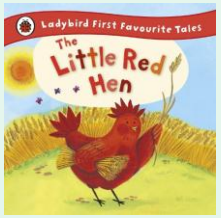
At the end of the half term we will combine all of our learning to answer the question:

How do people celebrate special occasions?

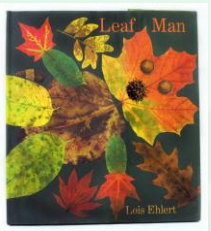
You can help your child develop their own opinions by discussing this topic at home using words such as 'because' and to help develop their ideas.

Reading activities

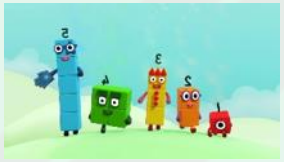
Traditional Tale: 'The Little Red Hen'



Quality Texts: We're Going on a Leaf Hunt!
Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert
Christmas Story



You can help your child at home by:
- Enjoying sharing stories at home.
- Reading with them at least 3 times a week.
- Discussing the words found in the books.
- Checking that your child understands the words used.



Maths

Number songs and rhymes, counting on our fingers, comparing which group has more, exploring patterns and looking at shapes.

We are looking at numbers 1-5. This will involve recognition and counting. Numberblocks are a great tool to help your children. https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks

Subitising is when you are able to look at a group of objects and realise how many there are without counting. This only works with small groups of numbers, as we can only subitise up to 5 things.

Achieving and Growing, Together in Friendship

Rhymes

- Dingle Dangle Scarecrow
- Autumn leaves are falling down
- Twinkle Twinkle
- Christmas Pudding





Messages….

On Thursday suitable P.E kits must be worn – joggers or leggings with appropriate shoes.

Can you please bring in spare clothing (including socks!) to keep on your child's peg.

Can children please come to school with a bag. We often give out letters and or artwork and the children often struggle to hold onto them.

We know children love to bring toys in from home however they became very upset if they get lost or damaged. We have lots of toys in nursery for your child to explore so we appreciate it if they do not bring their own into nursery.

If you are unable to collect your child**, you must** inform a staff member or ring the school office to let us know who will be collecting your child. Failure to do this will result in us not being able to hand your child over until we have had confirmation from yourself

Understanding the World
Key skills:
• We will be going for Autumn walks and asking each other what we can see, and comparing these things to the Summer time, have they changed at all?

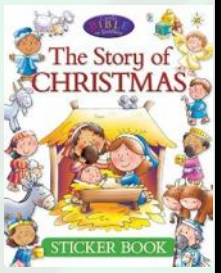
Explore Remembrance day and investigate why we wear a Poppy.
Key Vocabulary: Poppy, red, remember, thank you, soldiers, brave, quiet, kind

Explore Festival of light.
Key Vocabulary: Diwali, light, lamp, diya, candle, Rangoli, colour, family, celebrate, happy

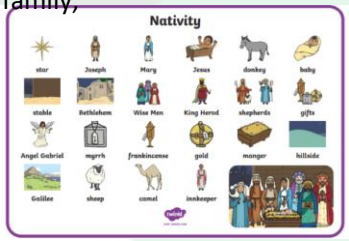
You can help you child at home by:
- Going on an Autumn walk and talk about what you can see.
- Explore colours at home.



Religious Education (RE)
Religion: Christianity
Theme: How Do Christians Celebrate Christmas?
Key Question:
Pupils will look at the Christmas story



Christmas Vocabulary:
Christmas, baby, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, star, angel, gift, present, tree, light, family, happy



Expressive Arts & Design

Explore music –making it go fast/slow – Loud/quiet with a range of instruments.
Improve our listening skills with lots of actions songs.

- Explore autumn colours.
- Use our imagination inspired by the book Leaf Man and make our own creation out of leaves.
- Leaf rubbing.
- Explore colour mixing
- Use water colour to create a poppy scene.

Things to remember…

13th November Children In Need – Wear yellow/spots - £1 donation
11th December Nursery Christmas party. Come dressed in party clothes.
14th December Nursery Craft morning 9.00-10.30
10th December – Christmas Jumper Day

PSHE

Nursery will continue to look at oral health, hand hygiene and food safety. Aswell as making friendships and following rules.

How can you learn at home?
Encourage independence- Teach your child how to get dressed independently. Including putting on their own coat, socks and shoes.
Make sure they brush their teeth twice a day

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