



***In F2 we are active learners, great explorers and creative thinkers!***

## Foundation 2

## Autumn Term 2

This half term our children will be exploring differences between night and day. We will compare the winter evenings to the summer evenings and will use non-fiction books to find out about nocturnal animals. The children will learn about the history of Bonfire Night and the Christmas story.

## Themes

Week 1 and 2 - Nocturnal Animals (Bonfire Night day)

Book: Owl Babies

Week 3 and 4 - Night and Day

Book: Peace at Last

Week 5 and 6 - Christmas

Book: Christmas Story

### Literacy

Looking at Speech of characters in stories and writing our own speech bubbles  
 Hot seating different characters and dressing up as them  
 Read and sequence the Christmas Story  
 Writing invitations and menus for our Christmas party  
 Writing letters to Father Christmas / Christmas cards to our friends and family

### Maths

Sequencing day/night time activities  
 Reading clocks and knowing what time school starts / finishes etc  
 Order size of characters  
 Explore characteristics of 2D shapes by making Christmas wrapping paper  
 Create repeating patterns with Christmas trees / stars / Santa etc

### Understanding of the World

Learn the story of Guy Fawkes and discuss the importance of keeping ourselves and others safe during Bonfire Night.  
 Identify nocturnal animals  
 Learn about hibernation  
 Discuss Autumn and Winter and seasonal changes  
 Talk about Christmas traditions in other countries and in our own households.  
 Creating shadows

### PSE

Following rules (especially around Bonfire Night and Stranger Danger / dark nights)  
 Sharing food between our friends  
 Understanding the feelings of ourselves and animals.  
 Respecting and understanding other cultures and beliefs.

### Physical Development

Explore moving our bodies to create firework dances.  
 Cutting wrapping paper and sellotape to wrap Christmas presents  
 Move according to different animals, owls, foxes, squirrels, hedgehogs  
 Cutting and fine motor skills  
 Gross motor outdoor activities  
 PE activities

### Expressive Arts and Design

Creating firework pictures using different materials.  
 Role playing / hot seating different characters  
 Colour mixing  
 Creating wrapping paper and Christmas cards  
 Making Christmas decorations  
 Singing a variety of topical songs.