This half term our topic is **'Let's Celebrate'!** This will include learning about how we celebrate a range of celebrations including: Bonfire night, Remembrance Day, Birthdays and Christmas! Below is an overview of the areas we shall be exploring this term.

Personal Social Emotional Development

During circle times we will be covering a range of topics including firework safety, friendships as well as classroom rules and feelings. The children will also have the opportunity to share how they feel in different situations. We will also continue to encourage the children to negotiate and solve different problems independently.



Literacy; Communication and Language

Children will have the opportunity to recreate roles and experiences, such as birthday parties. The children will also have the opportunity to write for a range of different purposes including writing invitations, lists, descriptions and labelling. We will continue to learn poems from the Poetry Basket. In Phonics the children will learn to read individual letters by saying their sounds and blending these sounds to read short words made of known letter sounds.

What you can could do to help:

Reading with your child it vital! Tips for helping your child to enjoy books:

- ✓ Visit the library.
- ✓ Schedule a regular time for reading - perhaps when you get home from school or just before bed.
- ✓ Look for books on topics that you know your child is interested in - maybe dragons, dinosaurs, fairies or animals.

Expressive Arts and Design

There will be many opportunities for children to be imaginative and creative especially during the run up to Christmas. The children will continue to build up their repertoire of songs and learn some catchy Christmas song's for our Christmas performance. There will be dances to learn, lots of instruments to explore and models and pictures to create.



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Physical Development

Fine Motor Skills - Children will be refining their manipulative skills through a range of activities including threading, cutting, handwriting (using correct pencil grip), colouring etc.

Gross Motor Skills - During P.E. sessions and in the outside area the children will develop their spatial and body awareness.

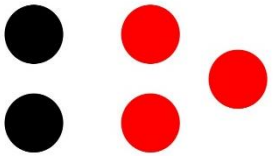
Understanding the World



Over the half term children will be learning about the different seasons. We will start the half term with an autumn walk. This will enable the children to observe and learn about seasonal changes like falling leaves. The children will also learn about different celebrations and customs.

Mathematics

The children are really enjoying their daily Mastering Number sessions. We will continue to provide lots of counting, number, shape and pattern activities.



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Why am I special? Who is special to me?
What makes our school special? (Our Church School)
Which stories are special and why? (Old Testament)
Why do Christians perform Nativity Plays at Christmas?

Special events and activities

Autumn Walk

Useful links

Free eBooks Library (Oxford Owls) – https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/library-page
cBeebies – Alphablocks – http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/alphablocks
Foundation Stage Counting – http://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers

Ash Class Timetable

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Information
Monday			Little Wandle reading books sent home
Tuesday		PE	
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday			Little Wandle reading books collected Weekend sharing book sent home/collected