



Autumn 2: "Light up the night!"

The Theme: Investigating winter celebrations, the cosy magic of darkness and light, and performing our very first nativity.



What Your Child is Learning

- **Keeping Safe & Celebrating (PSED):** Understanding how to stay safe on dark nights (road and bonfire safety), discovering our unique talents, and taking part in community traditions like Remembrance Day.
- **Vocabulary & Predictions (CLL):** Talking about exciting events like Halloween, Diwali, and Christmas, and learning to predict what happens next in our favorite stories.
- **Baking & Creative Writing (Literacy):** Making real bread rolls inspired by our story The Little Red Hen, writing Christmas tags in "Santa's Workshop," and expanding our phonics skills.
- **Numbers to 6 & Shapes (Maths):** Mastering addition and subtraction facts within 6, understanding the concept of "zero," and describing 3D shapes and positions.
- **Autumn Walks & Festivals (Understanding the World):** Going on seasonal nature walks to look at changes in the environment and learning about different cultural celebrations.
- **Festive Art & Music (Expressive Arts):** Exploring color mixing to paint firework pictures, using real balsa wood and hammers to build toys, and matching pitch while singing Christmas songs.
- **Bonfire Building (Physical Development):** Collaborating outdoors to build a giant pretend bonfire using planks and sticks to develop upper-body strength.



How to Help at Home

Spot autumn leaves or pine cones on your walk to school. Look for reflective tags on coats and talk about road safety when walking near streets on dark winter afternoons.

