Communication & Language

- Listen carefully to rhymes and songs, paying attention to how they sound.
- Practise speaking in well form sentences, articulating our ideas, and giving appropriate detail.
- Develop our listening and attention when part of a larger group.
- Begin to retell parts of familiar stories.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- . Understand what 'being kind' means and some of the different ways we can show this.
- Continue to develop our independence within the learning environment.
- Develop our perseverance, understanding that it is okay to make mistakes, and we can learn from these.
- Develop our confidence in front of others as we perform our class Nativity.

Physical Development

- Use small tools such as paintbrushes, tweezers, pegs with increasing control.
- Develop our pencil grip and control.
- Remember and say our handwriting rhymes to help us to begin to form letter shapes.
- Develop our body strength and balance.
- In PE lessons, our topic will be 'Dance' where we will learn and experiment with different ways to move.

Maths

- Measure and compare objects, thinking about their size.
- Develop the use of correct mathematical vocabulary to include words such as short (er) (est), long (er) (est), tall (er) (est).
- Explore the weight of different objects, describing them as heavy (er) (est), light (er) (est) or of 'equal' balance.
- Explore continuing and then creating our own repeating patterns with two or three parts, experimenting with object, colour, size, shape, and sound patterns.
- Sort and classify objects, looking for and describing similarities and differences.

Reception Class

Autumn 2

All Around the World

This half term we will…

Literacy

- Continue to learn letter sounds weekly, including 'digraphs' which are those that are made up of more than one letter.
- Learn to recognise and read some 'Tricky words' by sight.
- Begin to write simple labels and captions.
- Learn to sequence and retell the stories of 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'The Three Billy Goat Gruff'
- Begin to understand the features of non-fiction books, listening attentively to these to find out new information.
- Extend our vocabulary, learning words such as tipi, yurt, igloo.

Understanding the World

- Learn about the Sikh and Hindu 'Festival of Light' celebration 'Diwali'.
- Understand the importance of Remembrance Day and how life was different in the past.
- Compare the properties of different materials.
- Learn about how homes and climates differ around the world.
- Learn about the habitats of different animals.
- In RE lessons, understand the reason why Christians perform Nativity plays.
- Notice how the weather and season begins to change.
- Understand that the church is a special place in our community as we attend an All Saints Day and Christmas Service.

Expressive Arts & Design

- Explore the 'flick painting' technique as we create firework pictures.
- Experiment with printing with classroom objects, using paint, crayons and making imprints in playdough.
- Design and make artwork which replicates that from different countries.
- Design and make a Christmas card and decoration.
- Collaborate to create a Christmas picture as a class.
- In Music lessons, we will learn about different tempos.
- Learn the songs, words, and actions for our Nativity performance.