

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Develop relationships with peers and adults through playing Christmas tree game, matching pairs in small groups and small group letters and sounds activities (Phase One)
- Encourage children to communicate freely about own home and community through discussion about their own family traditions.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Develop fine motor control by using a variety of one handed tools and equipment such as scissors, pencils, paint brushes, glue sticks, hole punches to explore Christmas craft activities.
- Develop children's independence in dressing and toileting.

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

- Develop listening and attention, speaking and understanding through story times using Christmas books and snack time.

LITERACY

- Develop enjoyment of a range of Christmas books and songs through story time, singing time and practicing for our Christmas assembly.
- Develop awareness of sounds through letters and sounds activities (Phase One) and Singing Phonics.
- Develop mark making skills through the role play area and writing own name in Christmas card.

Christmas Autumn Term 2

MATHEMATICS

- Develop use of number names and language through favourite counting songs and playing Christmas tree game.
- Develop awareness of shape and space through exploring the shapes of everyday objects during Christmas craft activities Eg. Presents, baubles, star on the tree.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

- Develop an awareness that shapes can be used to represent objects through Christmas craft activities.
- Encourage imaginative play using their own experiences through Christmas house role play area and small world toys.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- Recognise special times or events for family or friends and encourage children to discuss their own experiences during circle time eg. Advent calendars, decorating a tree, exchanging gifts, special foods.

HOME LEARNING

- Talk to your child about your immediate and wider family customs and routines.
- Encourage children to help with Christmas preparations eg. wrapping presents, putting up decorations.
- Encourage your child to be independent with putting both arms in their coat.

Unit of Work: Approx. 3 weeks