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We will be exploring the theme of 'Sacraments', looking at how we are special and discussing special events / occasions that the children have experienced. We will look to how these link to special events in the life of the Church and encounters with God, for example, Baptism, Holy Communion. We will also be exploring some stories of Jesus, focussing on how Jesus is always with us especially at special times in our lives.

We will be exploring the theme of Advent and the children will be participating in lots of waiting games to help them understand patience as we wait and prepare for the excitement of Christmas.

Literacy

This term, we will be consolidating our Phase Two phonics sounds, ensuring that we are segmenting and blending consistently. We will also be continuing to work on reading and writing our tricky words.

We will be looking at lots of texts linked to the circus, shopping and Christmas themes - labelling clowns, writing simple sentences to put together our own circus story, writing shopping lists, Christmas cards and letters. We will be continuing to develop our Talk for Writing actions to retell stories and draw story maps.

Maths

This term we will be continuing to count and recognising numbers initially to 10, then to 20. We will be consolidating our knowledge of ordering numbers and finding 1 more and 1 less for any given number. We will also begin to explore addition in practical activities.

In other areas of maths, we will be developing our understanding of shapes, using them to make repeating patterns. We will also be starting to explore money, recognising coins to £1.

Understanding the World

We will be learning about the circus and how it has changed, comparing pictures of circuses in the past and present.

We will also be finding out where our food comes from and how it gets into the shops, talking about food we like and dislike.

We will be starting to explore Purple Mash on the Learnpads as well as using them to take photos of each other during the Nativity.



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The Circus

&

Shopping



Expressive Art and Design

We will be continuing to express ourselves through our art design, role play and music! We will be creating firework pictures, junk model circus tents, clown masks, salt dough fruit and vegetables as well as lots of Christmas crafts.

We will enjoy engaging with lots of different role play areas this term including a circus, puppet theatre, shop and Christmas Post Office.

In our music sessions we will be focussing on perfecting the songs for our Nativity performance.

Outdoor Education

We will be continuing with our weekly welly walk to the woodland or the orchard. We really enjoy these sessions! Please ensure that children have the correct clothing to keep them warm, as we will be venturing out in all weathers. Please ensure also that hats, scarves and gloves are labelled! Thank you.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The theme this term will be 'getting on and falling out'. This will help children to build resilience and attempt to resolve conflicts should they arise. We will also look at bullying and ensure children know who they can ask for help in school, should they need it. We will be taking part in lots of charity work - Children in Need and the Christmas Shoebox appeal, helping the children become aware of those less fortunate than themselves. We will also take part in an Act of Remembrance.

Physical Development

Our PE sessions will take place on a Friday (am) we will have an external coach in to teach us. We will be continuing to practise getting changed independently and putting our belongings into our own bags.

We will be focussing on developing our gymnastics skills as well as further developing our gross motor skills with activities such as jumping, hopping, skipping and running. These skills will also be developed in our outside garden during choosing time.

We will be continuing to develop our fine motor skills by using a range of resources and tools to get our hands and fingers moving.

We will be continuing to work on our letter formation, writing our names and simple words clearly and using scissors correctly.