


**Mathematics**  
We will be learning to recognise, write and order numbers.  
We will be measuring and weighing a collection of objects.  
We will be solving problems by counting adding and subtracting.  
We will find one more and one less than a given number.  
We will be learning the names of solid and flat shapes.

**Understanding the world**  
We will talk about Bonfire, Diwali and Christmas celebrations.  
We will recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.  
We will recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries.  
We will talk about the different jobs that people do during the night.  
As Scientists we will.....  
Find out about light and dark.  
Learn about different sources of light.  
Investigate, predict and answer questions about light and dark.  
Find light sources around our classroom.  
Find the darkest place in our classroom.  
Explore shadows.  
Discuss nocturnal animals.



# Light and Dark Reception, Autumn 2

**Communication and Language**  
**Literacy**  
We will enjoy and engage in story time, listening to lots of stories and poems about Light and Dark.  
"Can't you sleep little Bear"  
"The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark"  
Senses Poetry-The Dark Cave!  
We will have lots of fun writing our own stories and poems.  
We will learn and use new vocabulary linked to our topic.  
We will be working hard to recognise letters and the sounds they make.  
We will practise blending sounds into words.  
We will be introduced to common exception words and try hard to read and write them.  
We will enjoy listening to and acting out stories.  
We will be practising our writing and trying hard to form letters correctly.

**Physical Development**  
Indoor PE -Gymnastics  
Outdoor PE- Travelling and Sending.  
Apparatus and bikes.  
We will confidently use a range of large and small apparatus.  
Fine motor skills- using scissors with increasing control.  
Working with Clay and Play dough.

**Expressive Arts**  
We will enjoy art work linked to Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas.  
We will make pictures and models using a range of media.  
We will draw and paint pictures linked to our favourite stories and poems.  
We will be acting out the story of Rama and Sita.  
Role-play "Can't you sleep little Bear", "Funnybones".  
We will design and make Christmas crafts.  
Watch and talk about dance and performance art, expressing our feelings and responses.  
We will sing in a group or on our own, increasingly matching the pitch and following the melody.

**Personal Social and Emotional Development**  
We will enjoy playing and sharing together, working hard to build constructive and respectful friendships.  
We will listen to each other and take turns.  
We will choose what we want to do and keep busy exploring new things.  
We will show resilience when we are faced with new challenges.