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Welcome to the second half of the Autumn Term!

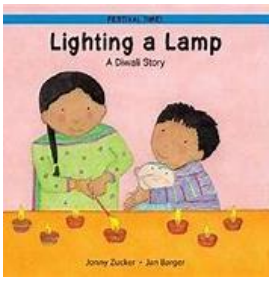
This half term our theme is Celebrations, and we are looking forward to an exciting 7 weeks exploring different celebrations of light including Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas. We will also be celebrating our own skills and exploring what makes us special.

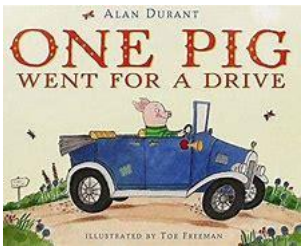
We will be having a Circus Day on Thursday 21st November where we not only explore what happens in a circus but provide the children with the opportunity to showcase their own skills. You will have already received a letter about this fantastic day and we look forward to seeing the children dressed up as a circus character or in brightly coloured clothes.

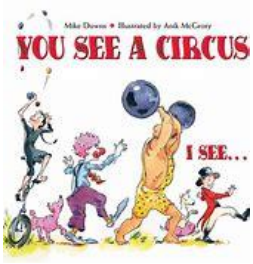
Talk to your child about their strengths and what makes them amazing. If possible please share photos or videos on Tapestry so we can celebrate their achievements!

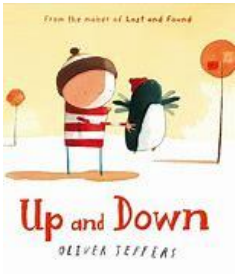
At the end of the half term the children will then be taking part in our Reception and Nursery Nativity. This will be held on Thursday 12th December at 9.30 am. Every child will be taking part and we as a school provide the costumes, so please, put this date in your diary and come and watch your children sing, dance and get well and truly into the Christmas spirit.

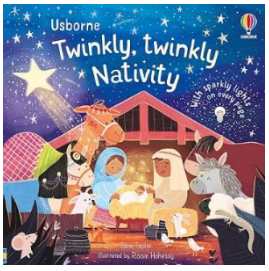
We will be basing our curriculum around excellent fiction and non-fiction books based upon different celebrations, here are just a few of the stories your child will be telling you about this half term!











We are continuing to expand our knowledge of stories and texts. Please share any celebration or Christmas stories you have with your children during this half term to support their learning. We

will be discussing how we celebrate Christmas at home and we will be asking the children to share their family traditions with the class.

Our PE this half term will now be on a Monday with our school sports coach Joel. Please make sure your child has shorts and a t-shirt in school.

Forest School will also continue to be on a Thursday – just a reminder that Forest School kit is black or green jogging bottoms, a white polo shirt, and either a green school jumper or the black school hoodie. The children still need to come into school wearing their school shoes, as we will change them into wellies for Forest School.

Reading at home plays a huge part in the development of this essential skill, so please continue the wonderful work you are doing at home and read regularly with your little superstar – it makes such a difference, and we are really starting to see their progress.

As always, if you have any questions, come and chat to us before or after school,

Mrs Collins, Mrs Carter, Mrs Hooley and the Reception Team