

What will we learn?

Literacy: Write recognisable letters, initial and end sounds, read and write cvc words with Ph2 sounds and some digraphs / Ph 2 tricky words (draw and write lists, recipes, labels, cards, story maps)

Maths: Representing, comparing and composition of 1,2 & 3, Representing numbers 1 to 5, One more and one less, Circles and triangles, Positional language, Shapes with 4 sides-squares, rectangles, diamonds, time, date, weather

PSED: Celebrating Differences – How can I understand similarities and differences between myself and my friends?

Discovery RE: Christmas – What is Christmas?

PD: Continuing to develop an efficient pencil grip

EAD: Explore composition, use fat paint brushes, and learn how to paint a wash, use wax to create a resist, print and use objects to place and arrange

Other things we will learn:

Autumn is a season of the year. Many animals and birds, prepare for the winter by storing food, hibernation, and migration. Trees change colour and lose their leaves.

Many festivals and celebrations happen during Autumn including Halloween, Harvest Festival, Bonfire Night.

How to stay safe on Bonfire Night.

What Remembrance Day is and why we wear poppies in November.

Poppies are a symbol because they grew in the fields after the fighting had stopped when the war was over

Stories behind different celebrations including Diwali and Christmas

That we live in England and that the world is made up of different countries.

Stunning Starter:

Potion Commotion Workshop for parents and children

Fabulous Finale:

Christmas Performance

Key Texts:

Texts: What's in the Witch's Kitchen? / Leaf Man / Nativity

Story Texts: Owl Babies



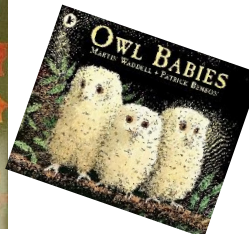
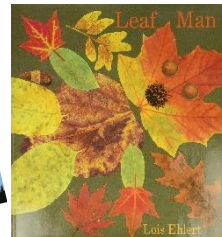
Damson Wood Nursery & Infant School Project Planner

Year: Reception **Term:** Autumn 2
Topic: Potion Commotion
SPARKS Value: Safe

Links to local resource and expertise:

Families to share photos on Dojo of festivals or traditions celebrated by families or local community

Visit from Reverend Toby- Elmdon church.



Key Vocabulary

Halloween, potion, cauldron, pumpkin, spell, recipe, ingredients, Autumn, seasons, weather, change, leaves, conkers, pine cones, acorns, hibernate, migrate, crisp, colder, chilly, amber, orange, red, brown, Maple, Rowan, Willow, Chestnut, Beech, Elm Guy Fawkes, Bonfire Night, fireworks, gunpowder, London Poppy, WW1 / WW2 remembrance, symbol, hope, peace November, 11th celebration, tradition, story, tale, religion, belief, different, Christmas, Jesus, Joseph, Mary Bethlehem, Diwali, Rama, Sita, England, country, world, map, globe, similar, different

How will we be creative?

Nature Trail / Leaf hunt - Identification

Leaf Man posters

Making story maps and writing about the adventures of Leaf Man

Making a 'fat ball' with bird seed

Reading / writing a recipe for a potion

Making a potion

Firework safety posters

Firework prints

Talking about a celebration we have had with our families

Explaining why we celebrate different traditions

Performing Christmas songs and dances

Writing / making Christmas cards

Christmas arts and crafts