

### Books and websites we are using this term:

Poetry for Remembrance, A Christmas Carol (Beyond RWI Group), The story of Rama And Sita, The Christmas Miracle of Jonathon Toomy.

### Literacy

Regular RWI Phonics sessions each week in small groups of a similar ability. Each group is revising and learning new phonics sounds and doing reading, comprehension and punctuation including commas, apostrophes, full stops and paragraphs.

Class based literacy lessons linked to our topic this term will include: Writing poetry for Remembrance Day, retelling the story of Rama and Sita and writing character descriptions based on the characters in our fiction books.

Reading fiction and non-fiction books including First News, A Christmas Carol and The Christmas miracle of Jonathon Toomy. All pupils will also have a reading book, which they can take home and share at home.

### Problem Solving and Reasoning

We are counting forwards and back in steps of either 1,2,3,4,5, 8 and 10. All pupils are focusing on calculation using multiplication and division for the first part of term. This will include using times tables, working out answers with concrete resources and written methods. Some pupils will be investigating multiples of 3. Then we are looking at the properties of 2D and 3D shapes later in the term.

## Celebrations

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### Eagle Class



### Other Curriculum areas

Here are some of the other things we are covering this Term:

**Science: Light and Sound.** We will be looking at sound and how sound travels. We will learn about our hearing. We will investigate light and look at materials that allow light to pass through. We will understand what makes a shadow and we intend to create a shadow puppet theatre.

**Topic:** We will learn about the history of Remembrance day and get an introduction to what it was like to be a soldier in WW1. We will look at celebrations in other religions at this time of year – Diwali and Hannukah. Then we will focus on the Christmas story in the bible.

**Internet safety:** including using gaming, social media and sharing videos safely.

**Art/DT:** We will be cooking snacks some weeks. We will use silhouettes to create some amazing art for Remembrance and we will make a poppy wreath. Eagle class will also create Christmas cards and a decoration, and we will make a shadow puppet theatre with puppets.

**Zones of Regulation/PSHE:** Continuing to develop our individual strategies for self-regulation. We will do activities linked to anti-bullying week in the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> week of term and we are talking about positive friendships and relationships.

### How can you help at home?

We would love to see all the lovely things you do at home. Remember that you can use Evisense to share this with us. Here are some ideas that you can use at home:

Talk about the celebrations at this time of year and why we celebrate such as Fireworks on 5<sup>th</sup> November, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Hannukah and Christmas.

Finally, it would really help students if you can encourage them to read their book at home at least 3 times a week. We read 1:1 at least twice a week in school and they read 4 x a week in RWI groups, but practice is the key to this important part of learning.

### Highlights

We will be kicking off our Buddies UK project with a meet up with some teenagers from a local school. This will be in Kingfisher first and then hopefully a visit to their school.

We will be doing lovely activities to mark all of the celebrations, culminating in a Shadow Puppet show for Christmas.

