

# **Gorseybrigg Primary School and Nursery**

# **Curriculum Matters**



**Term** Autumn 2 - 2017

**Year Group** Nursery

**Teacher** Mrs Pidcock

Please note that not all subject areas will necessarily be taught each term and we cannot write down everything we teach!

## Topic

### Nursery Rhymes and Christmas

Week 1 – Bonfire Night  
Week 2 – Hickory Dickory Dock  
Week 3 – Sing a Song of Sixpence  
Week 4 – The North Wind Doth Blow  
Week 5 - Christmas  
Week 6 – Christmas  
Week 7 – Christmas

## Literacy

- Playing games involving rhyming words.
- Signing their names in Christmas cards.
- Listening to, joining in with and making up our own nursery rhymes.
- Demonstrating understanding when talking with others about rhymes and stories they have listened to.
- Writing a letter to Father Christmas!

## Mathematics

- Counting with numbers from 1 to 20.
- Recognising and ordering numbers.
- Using everyday language to talk about time and money.
- Recognising, creating and describing repeating patterns.
- Singing number songs and rhymes.

## Personal, Social and Emotional Education and RE

- Learning about firework safety.
- Listening to the Christmas story and learning about special traditions.
- Finding out about Hanukkah.
- Playing co-operatively, taking turns with others.

## **Physical Development**

- In gymnastics, we will be focusing on learning different ways of travelling over, under and through equipment.
- Becoming more independent when dressing and putting on our own coats.
- Dancing and playing ring games.
- Handling scissors and pencils effectively.

## **Communication and Language**

- Answering 'how' and 'why' questions about our Bonfire Night experiences and in response to stories, rhymes or events.
- Expressing ourselves effectively, showing awareness of listeners' needs.
- Listening carefully and following instructions.

## **Expressive Arts and Design**

- Making firework glitter pictures.
- Engaging in role-play with our friends.
- Making a Christmas card and calendar.
- Performing in our Nativity Play!

## **Understanding the World**

- Discussing celebrations such as Hanukkah, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day and Christmas.
- Explaining the changes that occur during freezing and melting experiments.
- Creating a firework picture using a simple program on the computer and playing Christmas games.

# Helping at Home

- Share your child's library book with them.
- Practice writing your child's name with them.
- Discuss your family Christmas traditions and experiences.
- Read and sing favourite nursery rhymes.
- Try a freezing or melting experiment at home and talk about the changes in the environment as Autumn turns to Winter.
- Practice counting, sing number songs and rhymes together and play simple dice games.