

Understanding The World – The Natural World

How do we get light and dark?

Where does light come from?

Light comes from the sun, bulbs and flames.

How is a shadow made?

A shadow is made when an object blocks the light.

VOCABULARY

Light– lights things up and makes things easier to see.

Dark- when there is no or little light.

Shadow- what is made when something blocks the light.

Expressive Arts and Design

How do we create a firework picture?

What colour paint could you use?

Bright, strong colours such as white, blue, yellow, red

What colour paper could you use?

Black

How could you apply the paint?

Flick and splash paint and sprinkle with glitter.

VOCABULARY

Bright – vibrant colours

Flick – a sudden quick movement of the paint brush

EYFS

Autumn 2

Topic Mat

Light and Dark



The learning you child will be doing in each subject this term is based on a key question.

The subsequent questions and vocabulary are some of the small steps they will take to achieve their answer.

Please discuss these with your child to help support and reinforce the work they are doing in class.

Understanding The World - People, Culture and Communities

How are lights used to celebrate festivals?

What is a festival?

A celebration in schools and churches of a special time.

How are lights used to celebrate Diwali?

Diva lamps, lanterns and fireworks.

How are lights used to celebrate Bonfire Night?

Fireworks, sparklers and a bonfire.

How are lights used to celebrate Christmas?

Lanterns, Christmas lights, candles in advent and Christingle.

VOCABULARY

Diwali – The Hindu festival of lights

Christmas – The Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus

Bonfire – A big fire outdoors

Festival—A celebration

Understanding The World – The Natural World

When do animals sleep?

What is hibernating?

When animals have a long sleep for the winter.

What do we call animals who sleep in the day or the night?

Nocturnal and diurnal.

What do animals do to get ready for hibernating?

They collect food and make a nest.

VOCABULARY

Nocturnal - Animals who are awake at night

Diurnal - Animals who are awake in the day

Hibernate—a long winter sleep