Literacy

Topic Texts Include:
'Room on the Broom', 'The Best Diwali Ever', 'The Christmas Story'.

Children will:

- Think about story characters and settings.
- Answer questions about focus book.
- Re-enact or reinventing stories heard.
- Develop a phonological awareness – listening games.
- Learn and sing new songs – for the Christmas performance.
- Mark making and early writing in play.

Understanding the World

Children will:

- Talk about past celebrations, memories from last Diwali or Christmas?
- Discuss about celebrations in family and community.
- Ask questions about different cultures and unfamiliar experiences.
- Observe and talking about the change of seasons. Days are shorter – darker for longer!

Physical Development.

Children will:

- Create large circular and zig zag patterns with ribbon sticks, chalks, and marker pens, showing control and co-ordination.
- Move around the space and equipment in a variety of ways, learning to assess risk and keep safe.
- Engage with fine motor activities to develop finger and hand muscles.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will:

- Explore how colours can be mixed and changed.
- Explore creative representations of experiences such as fireworks, using a variety of materials.
- Create movements that match music from different cultures.
- Explore and making patterns and artwork linked to different festivals.

Nursery
Autumn Term 2
2026
Curriculum Coverage

Our Topic
Let's Celebrate

Homework

Complete 'Marvellous Me' book.

Mathematics

Children will:

- Begin to recognise numerals in the environment.
- Count small sets (up to three) showing 1:1 correspondence.
- Identify familiar routines.
- Explore 2D shapes by arranging and combining them to create different shapes.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development

Children will:

- Develop an understanding of change in routine and learn to adapt behaviour to accommodate expectations.
- Talk about family traditions and celebrations, beginning to identify differences and similarities between themselves and others.
- Gain confidence in approaching new situations/tasks and asking adults for help.
- Share experiences with others to develop their social interactions.
- Invite others to play and joining others' play.

Communication and Language

Children will:

- Listen to a range of stories linked to festivals and celebrations, with increasing attention and recall.
- Follow instructions when engaging in cooking and craft activities
- Talk more about things that are important to them.
- Build up vocabulary that reflects breadth of experiences.

Stunning Start

We are going to create an environment full of colour to celebrate a range of celebrations such as Diwali and Firework Night.

Fabulous Finish

We are going to invite our parents to join us for a 'Christmas Craft' session

Visits, Visitors and Important Dates

Events – Autumn Term 2 2026

EVENT	DATE
Achievement Assembly	*Thursday 5th November at 9:15am*
PTA FRI YAY *(Lower playground)*	*Friday 6th November 3:15pm*
New Year R *(Intake 2027)* Open Evening	*Thursday 12th November 6*
Children in Need	*Friday 13th November*
Odd Socks Day and Anti Bullying Week	*Monday 16th November*
Individual Photographs	*Tuesday 17th November*
Be Bright Be Seen – Road Safety Week	*Monday 23rd November*
Scholastic Book Fair *(Run by Reading Ambassadors in the Library)*	*Monday 23rd – Thursday 26th November*
New Year R *(Intake 2027)* Open Morning	*Thursday 26th November 9-10:30am*
Snodland Christmas Shed *(Snodland Christmas Fair)*	*Saturday 28th November*
Snodland Lantern Parade *(Snodland Christmas Fair)*	*Saturday 28th November 4pm*
New Year R *(Intake 2027)* Open Afternoon	*Wednesday 2nd December 1:30pm-*
Christmas Fair	*Saturday 5th December 11-2pm*
Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch	*Friday 11th December*
EYFS (Nursery & Year R) Christmas Concert	*Friday 11th December 9:15am*
Nursery Christmas Crafts Session with Parents	*Wednesday 16th December 10:45-11:45am*









How you can help…

We hope that this guide will help you to get further involved in your child's education. You could:

- Share stories together and talk about the front cover – ask your child what they think the story could be about?
- Make a vegetable soup – find a yummy recipe and try a new vegetable.
- Go on a nature hunt.
- Practise putting gloves and hats on.
- Learn about different celebrations within different communities.

'Marvellous Me' books will be sent home every half term for you to update with your holiday adventures. From camping trips to play dates with family and friends, the children really enjoy looking back over their experiences with their friends. It develops their understanding of their life-story and is a great conversation starter to develop their communication and language skills.

What is our main method of home communication?

The Nursery Team will be available daily, to let you know how your child's day went. Each key person will take photos and write a short statement about your child's progress and suggested next steps for their learning and development. These will be sent out termly via 'Tapestry', our online parent sharing platform.

Facebook: In Nursery we complete weekly posts on Facebook sharing the children's learning throughout the week. Please feel free to like and comment as we do like to read them!