

Literacy: Centres around the texts “Can’t you Sleep Little Bear?” and “When Will it be Spring?”

Learning how to write for different purposes, creating lists, labels and signs.

Now try this at home: Can you help write a shopping list to take to the supermarket? Or even a Christmas wish list for Father Christmas!

Music: Preparations for the Christmas music will run alongside regular pulse and rhythm activities.

Now try this at home: Listen to traditional and modern Christmas Songs. Which do you prefer? Why? What instruments can you hear being played?

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural: This term our value is
Generosity

How can we help others at Christmas time? How do we show generosity?

Art/DT: Looking at Van Gogh’s *Starry Night*

Christmas crafts - please bring in a glass jam jar.

Shadow Puppets.

Now try this at home:

Look at fireworks in the sky. What colours/shapes can you see?

Communities and Enterprise:

Organising and helping with a cake sale this term. We hope to raise funds for our outside area. Please support us.

Please keep an eye out in book bags for further details.

WHY DOES IT GET DARK EARLIER IN WINTER?

Launch Activity: Westonbirt Trip

Landing Activity: Teddy Bear Slumber party

Maths:

Continuing to work on all the key objectives for Year 1 including;

- Number Bonds
- Place value (tens and units)
- 3D Shapes;
- Subtraction.
- Weight

Now try this at home: Find and discuss numbers in the environment— bus stops, in shops etc. Spot the tens and units.

PE: Putting together a sequence looking at balance and movement.

Now try this at home: Can you put together a small sequence to show your family at home. Maybe a starting position, jump, travel, balance and finishing position? Remember body control.

Science: Seasonal Changes

- We shall continue to look at the changes in the natural environment due to the seasons;
- 4 seasons and their differences
- Learning about our weather, and day length
- **Now try this at home:** Look at a map of the UK. Discuss places of interest. Keep track of the weather.

RE: What do Christians believe God is like?

Reading the Christmas Story.

Now try this at home: Can you draw a picture of God? What do you think he is like?

Outdoor Learning:

- Looking after the wildlife in our school grounds;
- Continuing to observe seasonal changes;
- Looking after our growing areas

Now try this at home: How can you make your garden hedgehog friendly?

TOPIC: Bears and Canada

Looking at old bears /toys and comparing with new.

Looking at Canada and comparing with our country.

Now try this at home: Please bring in any old and new bears you may have.