







Term Overview

This half term our topic is Light and Dark. Children will be learning about special celebrations including Diwali, Bonfire night and Christmas. They will participate in a range of enriching activities to support the Early Learning Goals.

Key vocabulary

Diwali	'Rows of lighted lamps' The festival of lights.	
Diya Lamps	An oil lamp made from clay.	
Nocturnal animal	Animals which are active during the night.	
Earth	The planet we live on.	
Space	The area outside the Earth's atmosphere.	
Solar System	A group of planets, comets and asteroids that orbit the Sun.	

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Light and Dark**



Sticky Knowledge

- Nocturnal animals are active during the night and sleep during the day.
- Diwali is a festival of light.
- Space is completely silent.
- We live on planet Earth.
- Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus.

Ideas for home

Go on a hunt around your house- what uses electricity?

Go on a nighttime walk to look at the stars.

Talk about things you can do in the daytime which you can't do at night?

Listen to the Solar System song on YouTube. Ask your child how many planets they can name.

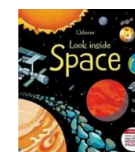
Listen to the songs: Twinkle Twinkle, Ten in a Bed, Hey Diddle Diddle and Rock-A-Bye Baby.

Our reading this half term includes:

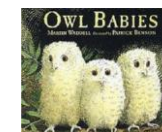
**How To Catch a Star-
Oliver Jeffers**



Usborne Look Inside Space



**Owl Babies-
Martin Waddell**



**Whatever Next!
Jill Murphy**

