

Oak and Willow Theme Overview

Autumn Term 2 2018

Personal Social & Emotional Development:

Working together to practise and perform our Christmas play.

Following rules and expectations, managing changes in routine and enjoying new experiences, including during our trip to the Pantomime Christmas play and party day.

Literacy – Reading & Writing:

Writing letters and lists for Father Christmas.

Learning, retelling and writing sentences about the Christmas story.

Writing our names properly in our Christmas cards.

Sharing and enjoying Christmas stories and rhymes.

Physical Development :

Dressing and undressing ourselves independently to change for PE, woodland work and into our play costumes

Handling and using tools, objects and construction materials safely and with basic control to make our Christmas cards and decorations.

Christmas dances and movements linked to our play songs.

Communication and Language:

Talking about our own experiences and memories of Christmas.

Understanding and following instructions to make Christmas decorations, cards and gifts.

Learning new words linked to our theme and the Christmas story.

Joining in speaking and singing in our Christmas play.

Creating and using Nativity and Santa's Workshop role play areas.

Maths:

Making repeating patterns for paper chains.

Counting down to Christmas - finding one less than a number.

Estimating, counting, adding and taking away within 10 or 20 to help Santa solve his present problems!

Matching amounts and numerals correctly

Christmas



Understanding the World:

Learning about and celebrating the Christian festival of Christmas.

Talking about and sharing our own experiences and family memories of Christmas.

Christmas cooking!

Observing and exploring the changing season and winter in our woodland work and when working outside.

Expressive Arts & Design:

Learning and performing our Christmas nativity play, including singing songs

Making paper chains with repeating patterns.

Creating Christmas cards and decorations.

Creating and using Nativity and Santa's Workshop role play areas.