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Autumn 1	EYFS Weekly Topic Theme	Core books	+ Blossom Phonics: Consolidate Phase 2 and begin Phase 3.	Mathematics White Rose Maths Autumn Phase 3.	Expressive Arts and Design	Understanding the World	Events
Week 1 31.10.2023	Seasons: Autumn Harvest Festival Halloween Bonfire night - firework safety	'The Little Red Hen'  'Room on the Broom' by Julia Donaldson.	Writing CVC words: red, hen Write firework sound words: pop, wizz, fizz, wee. Draw a firework safety poster - label.	Light and Dark: Representing numbers to 5 - Four. 'Pete the Cat and his 4 Groovy Buttons' by Eric Litwin.	Artist: Jackson Pollock. Firework pictures using paint and glitter.	Autumn festivals: October 31 – Halloween. November 5 – Guy Fawkes Night. (Bonfire and fireworks).	
Week 2 06.11.2023	Diwali – Festival of Light Remembrance Day	'The Story of Rama & Sita.'	Write my weekend / holiday news.	Light and Dark: Representing numbers to 5 - Five.  Number rhymes with 5.	Home corner with Divali celebration resources — decorations, lights. Make clay diva lamps. Diva lamp collages. Printing red poppy pictures. Make paper poppies.	Autumn festivals: November 12 – Diwali (Hindu, Sikh & Jain festival of lights).  Remembrance Day / Sunday November 11.	
Week 3 13.11.2023	Autumn Woodland	'The Gruffalo' by Julia Donaldson.	Retell the story. Repeat the patterned language. Recall key events, characters and recently introduced vocabulary.	Light and Dark: Representing numbers to 5, Digging deeper.	Design and make Gruffalo character masks and finger puppets.	Explore the natural world and contrasting environments, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.	Visit the Curve Garden.
Week 4 20.11.2023	Autumn – Winter Weather	'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen.	Retell the Bear Hunt story. Repeat the patterned language.	Light and Dark: Representing numbers to 5. One more and one less.	Role-play outside – Build their own bear hunt stories using the outside equipment.	Explore changes in matter e.g. rain freezing to be snowflakes. Ice melting.	

Week 5	Gingerbread.	'The Gingerbread Man'	Draw a story map and label the pictures: Sun, mud	Retell the Bear Hunt story. Reinforce positional language: over, under, through Light and Dark:	Water colour paintings / collages of different environments: grass, river, forest, snowstorm, Will it dissolve?	Baking	
27.11.2023		See on Sport Corn	Gingerbread Man story. Repeat the patterned language.  Write instructions how to make gingerbread.	Geometry and Spatial Thinking. Shapes with 4 sides. + Digging deeper.	Role-play outside – The Gingerbread Man. Playdough - salt dough gingerbread men.	gingerbread. Decorating Gingerbread men.  November 30 – St Andrew's Day, Scotland.	
Week 6 04.12.2023	Winter festivals of light: Hannukah Christmas	Read Father Christmas stories: 'Stick Man' by Julia Donaldson.	Write sentences to describe the events in the Stick Man story.	Light and Dark: Measurement. Time. Night and day.	Home corner with a variety of celebration resources – Hannukah candles.	Winter Festivals: Hanukkah (Jewish Festival of Lights) 7 – 15 December.	Reception to Aladdin Pantomime at the Hackney Empire.
Week 7 11.12.2023	The Christmas story.	Christmas nativity stories: 'The Nativity Play'	Write invitations to the Christmas nativity play.  Write Christmas lists / letters to Father Christmas.  Write Christmas cards.	Light and Dark: Measurement. Time. Digging deeper.	Home corner with a variety of celebration resources – cards, letters, and lists to Father Christmas.  Christmas Performance.	Winter Festivals: Christmas preparations. Christmas gifts.	Christmas Jumper Day. Christmas dinner.
Week 8 18.12.2023	Christmas nativity play.	Read Father Christmas stories: 'The Snowman' by Raymond Briggs.	Home corner with a variety of celebration resources – cards,	Consolidation.	Home corner with a variety of celebration resources – cards,	Winter Festivals: Christmas 25 December. Visit from Father Christmas.	Visit Father Christmas in his Grotto.

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