



Holiday Skills Homework Challenge: Attached to this newsletter is some information about the challenge. Please support your child with this over the holidays and once the challenge is complete you will add a sticker to their 'Challenge Passport' (the passport will be kept at nursery).

If possible, we kindly ask that the children bring a pumpkin into nursery after the holidays (any size please).

Make a Christmas Card -This is a fundraising event. Your child will have the opportunity to design their own Christmas card using a ready-made template.

You are invited to come into nursery to support them with their design. 8.30am -9am (if your child attends nursery in the morning or stays for 30 hours) or 12.30-1pm (if your child attends nursery in the afternoon) to support them to make it.

Alternatively, you can take the template home and return it to nursery when complete. The design will be made into a pack of cards for you to buy.

Instructions to ensure you get the best results can be found overleaf.

This week's learning: We have been learning about the Hindu festival Diwali. Our key vocabulary was Diwali, Rangoli pattern, Diwa Lamp and light. Our 'wow' word was celebrate. Please try and use these words at home. The children have developed their fine motor skills. They sprinkled sand to make a Rangoli Pattern and manipulated the dough to make a Diwa Lamp. They also learnt about Rama and Sita <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories/lets-celebrate-diwaliperformance>

Our baking activity was to make barfi, an Indian sweet that families make and eat at Diwali. It was delicious! Please remember to ask your child about some of the learning that they have done in nursery this week.

Date for your Diary: Friday 4th November. The children are invited to come to nursery in their Halloween costume. Please **DO NOT** go and buy one especially, we have lots of costumes in nursery that the children can borrow. We will have a Halloween milk party on this day.

We have shared some of this week's learning on Twitter- so please have a look at our tweets.

Please remember to sing nursery rhymes and read stories over the half term holiday. School closes today and reopens on Monday 31st October.

Once again, thank you for your continued support this half term. Please don't hesitate to speak to us about any worries or concerns you may have. We are here to help.

Have a lovely half term holiday. Mrs Windsor, Mrs Hough and Mrs Standing.