

In **maths** we will subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5. We will begin to recall number bonds to 5, count objects, actions and sounds and begin to understand one more than/one less than given numbers. We will also compare numbers within 5.

In **Literacy** we will continue to learn new sounds and work on blending them to read simple words. We will begin to write to convey meaning by writing about our birthdays.



Home Learning



Over the next few weeks we would like you to work with your child on the following challenges:

Parent Challenge

Talk with your child about how you welcomed them when they were born. **Please record this in their Time to Talk books.**

Joint Challenge

Make a list of things that you celebrate as a family. Talk with your child about why and how you celebrate these things. We are all different and unique.

Pupil Challenge

Make a hat for the class party. Please bring in all hats on class party day – Monday 15th December



Please remind your child to bring in their pupil challenge on
Monday 15th December
Thank you



Happy Birthday



For your diary:

9th December - Performances 9.15am (**adults only**) and 2.15pm (**all**)

PROJECT OUTCOME

You are invited to our performance, A Twinkly Nativity, where you will be immersed in the Christmas story. We can't wait to share it with you!

The children will also help to prepare a class party to celebrate the end of term. This will be during school time and for the children only. They can wear their own party clothes to school on this day -Monday 15th December.

This project will be last 3 weeks. The children will come in to find a table set up for a party. Who could the party be for? The children have learnt all about themselves, their identity and what makes them unique in our Marvellous Me project. In this project the children will consider the importance of birth and celebrating. They will learn about the birth of Jesus and the importance of this for Christians. They will look at how and why Christmas is celebrated and prepare for our own party in school.

Understanding the World

The children will:



- Explore different reasons why people celebrate and that not everyone celebrates the same things
- Know that some people celebrate their birthday and how they might do this
- Know ways people can welcome babies into the world and prepare for the arrival of a baby doll in the home corner
- Learn about the Christmas story
- Know that on Christmas day, Christians are celebrating and remembering Jesus' birthday
- Explore some of the ways Christian people prepare for Christmas
- Discover that communities around the world celebrate Christmas and know that in other countries there are different stories about Christmas - Babushka
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now at Christmas and sort toys and pictures into Christmas past and present

Communication and Language

The children will:



- Understand and respond to 'why' questions about Christmas and celebrations
- Connect one idea to another about the birth of babies and the Christmas Story
- Hold conversations with others about how babies can be welcomed into the world, how Christians remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus and about similarities and differences with toys from the past and present

Expressive Arts and Design

The Children will:



- Role play welcoming a new baby
- Retell the Christmas story and use props to help them
- Remember and sing the Christmas Nativity songs
- Listen to stories, move to and talk about how music makes them feel
- Explore and take part in music making and dance, performing in the Christmas performance

To become a better learner we will show curiosity and ask questions. We will be passionate about the things that matter to us and proud of our achievements. We will also reflect on our own experiences in relation to the concept of celebrating birth.

I AM A SPIRITUAL LEARNER



We will begin to explain our ideas, using new vocabulary and make connections between things in our own experiences.

I AM A THINKING LEARNER



We will learn and use these new words

birth	celebrate	Nativity
gift	visitors	Christian
Jesus	Mary	Joseph
Bethlehem		

