Termly topics for November and December 2023

Hello everyone,

We have a lovely term ahead planned. Here is a brief outline of what we will be doing in Montessori.

1. We will be starting the second half of the autumn term by completing ‘what to expect on Halloween’. We have explored the concept of dressing up and will finish by carving a pumpkin into a Jack O lantern. This is to help prepare the children for seeing others dressed up in costumes during Halloween.
2. Then comes ‘Bonfire Night’. We have some lovely craft activities planned to explore the colours and patterns fireworks make.
3. We will be looking at Remembrance Day with the children, in an age-appropriate way. We have some poppy craft activities and will talk about the 2-minute silence that will be held on Saturday, so the children are prepared to join in with this at home with their family.
4. We are then moving into our festival of light season. We will be learning about the festivals of; Diwali, Hannukah, Christmas and Chinese New Year (at the start of the new year). The festival of light is a lovely topic that we always enjoy exploring with the children. We are very lucky to have some authentic artefacts, materials and photographs to share with the children, for each festival. We also enjoy tasting the traditional foods that complement the festivals. Keep checking the website for photos after each festival has been celebrated.

We are continuing to explore the season of Autumn in Montessori. This is leading on to looking at hibernation and migration of local animal species. These are topics where we really utilise our wonderful wildlife garden to help local species get ready for the colder, winter months.

Finally, W/B 13th November we are planning a Children in Need, fundraising extravaganza. We enjoy fundraising for this topic because it helps so many children. It is really empowering for our children to know they are able to help others and have lots of fun whilst they do this. More details on this to come.

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