

Kedleston Class Newsletter

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Autumn Term 2 — November 2024

Hello & Updates

Welcome back to another action packed half term, Kedleston! You were all so incredible last half term, we were all in awe of how hard you all work, every day! I hope you had a fun filled, spooky, week off and that you're feeling ready to continue to be amazing, once more! It's going to be a busy one, with the exciting run up to Christmas, where we will be partaking in lots of exciting activities such as making Christmas cards, and Christmas baking!



Check out Evidence for Learning for photos of the fantastic work your children will be doing this half term, and keep an eye on our social media pages, too!

If you have any questions or would like to get in touch please don't hesitate to contact me on: alex.paul@ivy.set.org (Class Teacher)

Key Concepts and Skills

Our new topic is 'In The Night', which is very appropriate given that the days are getting shorter and the nights are starting to draw in! We will be reading 'The Hound of the Baskervilles' as our topic book, and focusing on 'All Through The Night' for our sensory story, where we will be exploring the jobs that people do in the night time! Expressive Arts is set to be an exciting one this half term with Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas celebrations, where we will be making lots of exciting food and pieces of art.



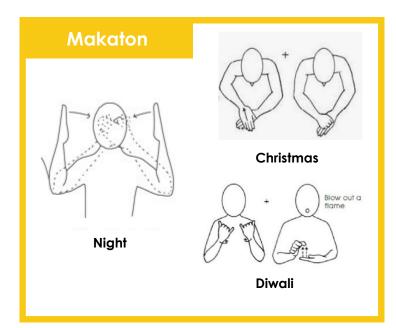
We will be controlling lots of different sounds and lights in cognition, and making good use of the UV resources for sensory play during physical sessions.

Reminders / additional information

Every **Wednesday** will be our Hydrotherapy day so please send in a full swimming kit with 2 towels. Please send in a **spare change of clothes** for when we do messy

activities in class. Please send Library books on **Monday** so we can swap them for new ones. We are lucky to have our own outdoor space so please send in appropriate outer wear so that your child can access and engage in outdoor play daily.

Home Learning Curriculum Ideas



Expressive Arts

With Christmas approaching, you could have a go at making your own special wrapping paper to send gifts to your loved ones!

Simply buy a plain roll of brown wrapping paper, and decorate however you desire, using paint, glitter, or any crafty bits you have around the house!

Reading

We all love a good book, and what better time of year to cosy up and share a story together, either with a book or audiobook on YouTube! Here are some books you could read together that link to our topic:

- The Polar Express
- Space Boy—David Walliams
- The Christmas Owl—Gideon Sterer
- The Night Train—Matilda Woods

PSHE/RSE



In PSHE, we will be learning about 'emergency



situations', becoming familiar with the different emergency services. We'll be exploring more sensory elements of each service, such as the blue

lights, siren sound and imitating calling for 999 using big mack switches!



Other Activities!

Since our topic is all about 'In The Night', you could go into your garden after school and see what has changed!

You might need to take a torch to see where you're going, or some sensory lights to illuminate your garden, you also might need to wrap up with a blanket and in different clothing such as scarves and gloves!

Are there any different smells, such as bonfires? Can you hear fireworks?

You might even encounter some bats, if you're lucky!