	Our School and Community				
Unit 1 Let's Celebrate Diwali					
	Nur	sery	Reception		
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to development Bands)	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to development Bands)	Suggested Activties	
Communication and Language	Understand a question or instruction that has two parts, such as "Get your coat and wait at the door". Asks questions and understands simple question words. Understand 'why' questions	Explore a range of Hindu/Diwali related artefacts. Children to ask and understand questions to find out information about Diwali. Learn some new Diwali Songs and Rhymes to build up the children's repertoire. Discuss the meaning of any unfamiliar vocabulary in the songs.	Learn new vocabulary. Articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. Can link ideas in sentences together. ELG S: Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.	Children to explore some of the different ways in which Hindu Diwali can be celebrated. They will learn new vocabulary and link together two ideas in a sentence. Throughout the unit children to use new vocabulary in their play.	
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'. Understand gradually how others might be feeling.	Children to recognise and name simple emotions through the story of Rama and Sita. Encourage children to share their experiences of when they have felt a similar emotion.	Show resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.	Children will work together in a team and show perseverance in this bridge building challenge. The children will need to think about the best way to solve a problem and think about solutions.	
Physical Development (Reception: Jasmine PE Unit 2)	Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers, paint and make marks. Use one-handed tools and equipment, for example, making snips in paper with scissors. • Use a comfortable grip with good	Children explore a range of large- muscle movements as they portray Diwali fireworks using ribbons and streamers. Show the children a selection of photos of mehndi patterns and talk about the patterns they can see using language linked to	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Handle tools and malleable materials safely and with control and purpose. ELG: Use a range of small tools.	Using fine motor skills and tools, children to create a clay diva pot. Children to explore how they can use small motor movements to manipulate the clay and use tools to add textures and patterns. Children to watch videos of Indian Stick dancing and then	

	control when holding pens and pencils.	forming different movements, e.g. up, down, curved, around. Then, give children the opportunity to draw their own mehndi patterns on paper hand templates.	Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace. Develop the overall body strength, co-ordination, balance and agility needed to engage successfully with future physical education sessions and other physical disciplines including dance. ELG: Move energetically, such as dancing.	create their own. https://youtu.be/x2pGkg26akw
Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons Begin RWInc Nursery Program)	Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: spot and suggest rhymes. Introduce Rwinc: What to do: Where to find it in the Handbook: Before you teach the sounds: 1. Learn the sounds as 'pure sounds' yourself 2. Teach children to name the pictures page 32 Teaching the sounds: 1. Read and write the single-letter sounds Speed Sounds lesson plans pages 34-49 2. Read the digraphs: sh th ch qu ng nk Speed Sounds lesson plans pages 50-54 Teaching blending: 1. Word Time Group 2 CVC Words Word Time lessons pages 56-57 (Special friends) words 3. Word Time Group 3 CCVC, CVCC, CCCVC Word Time lessons pages 56-57 words Word Time Issons pages 56-57 Word Time Issons pages 5	Listen to story of Rama and Sita. Children spot and suggest rhyming words in order to form rhyming pairs and help Rama and Sita get home. Sund Sug the sound Sity the sou	Form lower-case and capital letters correctly. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop. Re-read what they have written to check that it makes sense.	Using their phonic knowledge, children will begin to spell words and write simple captions in order to label artefacts and Diwali celebration items. Rama and Sita thought/speech bubbles. Writing labels and captions for Hindu Temple.
Mathematics		Maths No Problem (See	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World	Continue developing positive attitudes about the differences between people.	Celebrate and value cultural, religious and community events and experiences – Diwali Invite a parent or local trusted person to talk to the children about how they celebrate Diwali. If possible, they could also bring in some items, such as clothes and decorations, to show the children.	Think about their own special place and understand that people have different special places. Understand that some places are special to members of their community. Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways. ELG: Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country,	Children to explore how a temple is a special place for many people and how a temple may be visited during Diwali. Children to reflect on their own special places and what makes them special. Children to watch videos of Indian Stick dancing and then create their own. https://youtu.be/x2pGkg26akw

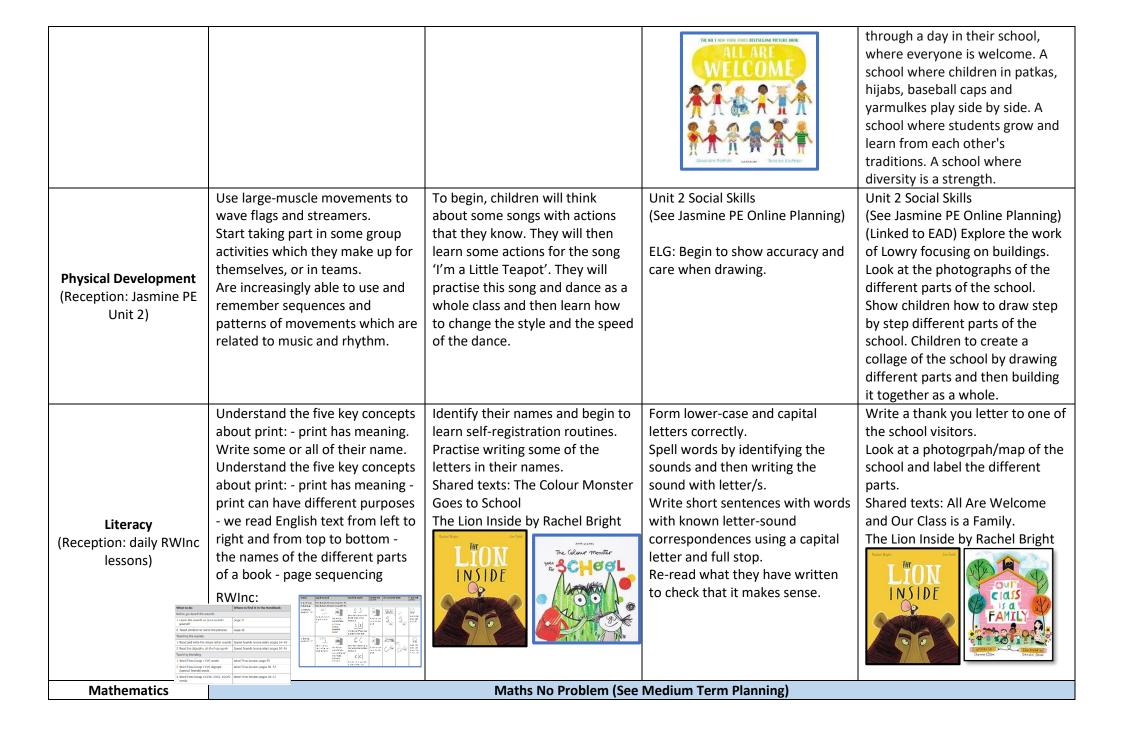
			drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.	
Expressive Arts and Design	Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.	Rangoli Patterns Children work together to fill the parts of a large Rangoli pattern with a variety of different materials. Mehndi Patterns – children to explore different mehndi designs and then use different media to create their own patterns.	Explores and uses a range of artistic effects. Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. ELG: Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.	Children to decorate their own sticks to be used in their Indian Stick dance. Explore the artistic effects that can be created when creating a wax resist diya lamp painting. Children to explore the effects created and the patterns and marks they can make.

	Unit 2: Bang! Whizz and Pop! Fireworks!				
	Nur	sery	Rece	ption	
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	
	development Bands)		development Bands)		
	Focuses attention and listens	Children can develop their	Use sentences to articulate ideas	Develop vocabulary around the	
	carefully during activities.	listening skills as they enjoy the	and thoughts.	theme of Bonfire Night: give	
	Understand how to listen	Bonfire Night Sound Story,	Connect one idea or action to	clues, using whole sentences, to	
	carefully and why listening is	identifying the different	another using a range of	describe what they can see on	
	important.	environmental sounds.	connectives.	the Bonfire Night themed picture	
			Can link ideas in sentences	cards. Their friends and peers can	
Communication and			together.	then try and work out which card	
Language			ELG S: Express their ideas and	they were thinking of!	
			feelings about their experiences		
			using full sentences, including use		
			of past, present and future tenses		
			and making use of conjunctions,		
			with modelling and support from		
			their teacher.		
	Develop a sense of responsibility	Children to create firework-	Talk about ways to keep	Explore firework safety,	
Personal, Social and	when completing a task.	themed designs using playdough	themselves safe.	discussing ways to keep	
Emotional		and tools.	ELG: Explain the reasons for	themselves and others safe	
Development			rules, know right from wrong.	during Bonfire Night events,	
				solving different scenarios.	
	Use developing fine motor skills	Children to develop fine motor	Unit 2 Social Skills	Explore and join a variety of	
Physical Development	to complete a task.	skills by using a selection of	(See Jasmine PE Online Planning)	different actions to create	

(Reception: Jasmine PE Unit 2)	Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.	resources to create a firework model.	Joins different movements together with co-ordination and fluency.	movements that represent different fireworks.
Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons)	Practise writing the letters of their name. Introduce Rwinc: What to do: What to do: Where to find it in the Handbook: Before you teach the sounds: 1. Learn the sounds as 'pure sounds' yourself 2. Teach children to name the pictures page 32 Teaching the sounds: 1. Read and write the single-letter sounds Speed Sounds lesson plans pages 34–49 2. Read the digraphs: sh th ch qu ng nk Speed Sounds lesson plans pages 50–54 Teaching blending: 1. Word Time Group 1 CVC words Word Time lessons page 55 2. Word Time Group 2 CVC digraph (Special friends) words 3. Word Time Group 3 CCVC, CVCC, CCCVC Word Time lessons pages 56–57 words	Children create a firework picture while practising writing their name. Stord Sep Sec Secold Sep Sec Secold Secold Secold Secold Second Secold Secold Second Secold Secold Secold Secold Second Secold Secold Second Secold Second Secold Second Secold Second	Blend sounds to read CVC words. Form lower-case and capital letters correctly. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound	Using their phonic knowledge, children will begin to spell words and write simple captions. Practise reading CVC words with a Bonfire Night themed word hunt. Place CVC posters around a large space and provide children with a checklist, encouraging them to find the posters, read the word and circle the picture that matches the word they read on their checklist. Write onomatopoeia sentences to describe sounds they hear during Bonfire Night. Reading Text Focus: Text: Ruby's Worry by Tom Percival
Mathematics		Maths No Problem (See	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World	Explore collections of materials and talk about similarities and differences. Use all their senses in hands-on exploration of natural materials. Explore collections of materials with similar and/or different properties. Talk about what they see, using a wide vocabulary.	Children will develop an understanding of the concept of hot and cold by sorting items and images of hot and cold objects e.g. kettle, candle, cup of tea, ice cubes, ice cream, jelly etc.	Understand that important events happened in the past. Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past. ELG: Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events	Encourage children to think about important events that happened in the past and the history of Bonfire Night by teaching them about The Gunpowder Plot. Children can then explore their understanding of the event by working in a group to answer questions about it. Sequencing the story of Guy Fawkes. Role play masks to support understanding of new vocabulary.

			encountered in books read in	Learn poem: Remember,
			class and storytelling.	Remember.
	Explore what happens when two	Use salad spinners to spin	Explores different artistic effects	Children investigate creating
	colours are mixed together.	firework pictures. Can children	to express their ideas.	different artistic effects by using
	Explore colour and colour-mixing.	recognise what happens when	Make use of props and materials	tinfoil and a selection of strokes
Expressive Arts and		colours mix?	when role playing characters in	and techniques to create a
Design			narratives and stories.	firework picture.
2008.1				Children to use a range of materials
			3	to create 3D models of fireworks.
				Use role play masks to re-enact the
				story of Guy Fawkes.

Unit 3: My Nursery/My School				
	Nur	sery	Rece	ption
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties
	development Bands)		development Bands)	
Communication and Language	Use longer sentences of four to six words. Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens.	Look at images of the school and nursery. Can children identify them. Show image of different parts of the school and discuss these with the children. Take children to different parts of the school and identify their purpose e.g., hall, office, first aid room, library etc. Listen to the story of 'The Cour Monster Goes to School' by Anna Llenas	Ask questions to find out more and to check they understand what has been said to them. Engage in story times. Listen to and talk about stories to build familiarity and understanding.	Invite different people who work in the school to talk about their roles and encourage children to ask questions. Invite the Head Teacher and Lenny the school dog and discuss their roles in the school. Listen to the story: 'Or Class is a Family' by Shannon Olsen. Identify what makes our class special and how we can make it into safe, warm and welcoming place.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Become more outgoing with unfamiliar people, in the safe context of their setting. Show more confidence in new social situations.	Invite trusted people into the setting to talk about and show the work they do. Take children out on short walks around the school. Look at school logo and explore theme of belonging. Linking to text: Our Class is a Family.	Express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally. Think about the perspectives of others.	Explore the story 'Our Class is a Family' by Shannon Olsen and discuss what makes their own class special. Identify how as a class they can be a team. Listen to the story 'All are Welcome' by Alexandra Penfold - which follows a group of children



Understanding the World	Show interest in different occupations.	Invite the head teacher and Lenny the school dog into the nursery setting. Talk about the role of the Head Teacher and the role of Lenny.	Draw information from a simple map. ELG: Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.	Show children photographs of the school from different perspectives. What do these photographs show? Where have these photographs been taken? Are these places near/far from school/your home? Using a large-scale OS map of the school area; children pinpoint different parts of the school and label.
Expressive Arts and Design	Remember and sing entire songs. Sing the pitch of a tone sung by another person ('pitch match'). Sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up and down, down and up) of familiar songs. Create their own songs or improvise a song around one they know. Play instruments with increasing control to express their feelings and ideas.	Learn the 'Stepping into Nursery! EYFS song. Encourage children to add additional verses to the song following the same pattern. Once children have learnt the song and actions, they use musical instruments to accompany the song.	Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them. Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills.	Explore the work of Lowry focusing on buildings. Look at the photographs of the different parts of the school. Show children how to draw step by step different parts of the school. Children to create a collage of the school by drawing different parts and then building it together as a whole.

Unit 4: My Community					
	Nursery		Reception		
Areas of Learning	People Who Help U	s in the Community	My Lo	cal Area	
Areas or Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	
	development Bands)		development Bands)		
	Be able to express a point of view	Children to explore different	Articulate their ideas and	What is our Local Area like? What	
	using words as well as actions.	occupations and talk about what	thoughts in well-formed	is our local area called? What do	
	Express a point of view and use	they want to do when they grow	sentences.	you know about our local area?	
Communication and	talk to give reasons why.	up, giving reasons why.	Connect one idea or action to	What do you like/dislike?	
Language			another using a range of	Children to discuss and feedback.	
			connectives.	Develop discussion about	
			Describe events in some detail	different types of land use,	
				physical and human features of	

Personal, Social and	Be increasingly independent in meeting their own care needs, e.g., brushing teeth,	Dentist: Children to explore the people and objects that they would see on a visit to a dentist surgery and become familiar with	Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly. Know and talk about the different	the local area using key vocabulary. Allow children to offer opinions on their likes/dislikes about the local area. Out and About - Staying Safe: Share the Rish Assessment guidelines and safety rules. Discuss the importance of
Emotional Development	Show an understanding of the importance of good oral health.	new vocabulary. Postal Worker: explore the people and objects that a postal worker uses.	factors that support their overall health and wellbeing: being a safe pedestrian	following the rules and expectations while out and about in the local community.
Physical Development (Reception: Jasmine PE Unit 2)	Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers. Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams. Are increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm.	During this lesson, the children will learn and practise the simple song 'The Wheels on the Bus' and some accompanying dance moves. They will then try changing the speed and style of this song before dancing as a whole class.	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning)	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Draw maps based on fieldwork.
Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons)	Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: - spot and suggest rhymes. Listens and counts the syllables in words.	Children to learn all about syllables and beat by sorting equipment used by different People Who Help Us. Write a group letter to Nursery/school and post it in local post box.	Read simple phrases and sentences made up of words with known letter—sound correspondences and, where necessary, a few exception words. Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop. UtW: Draw information from a simple map.	Reading a Map: What type of map is this? How do you know? What are the key features (special things) about maps? (Key, title, symbols, compass directions, colour code). Use a large scale street map highlight the landmarks and important places (school, places of worship, shops, industry, housing, leisure facilities, open space) identified through the whole class discussion. Model how to locate simple places, landmarks, and features on the map using different colours. In pairs, children use a laminated map of

			ELG: Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, and maps.	the local area and whiteboard pens to locate 5 (or more) places of their choice. Look for children locating places accurately and using key vocabulary in their explanations. Write a recount of the fieldtrip.
Mathematics		-	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World	Be interested in a range of occupations and start to talk about them.	Explore different occupations by playing a group game in which children take on different roles and talk about jobs. Walk to the local post box and post letter from Nursery.	Draw information from a simple map. ELG: Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, and maps.	Identify our school on a map. Look at the surrounding areas using photographs. What features do they recognise? Draw children's attention to the immediate environment, introducing and modelling new vocabulary where appropriate. Familiarise children with the name of the road, and or town/city the school is located in. Look at aerial views of the school setting, encouraging children to comment on what they notice, recognising buildings, open space, roads and other simple features. Offer opportunities for children to choose to draw simple maps of their immediate environment.
Understanding the World			Draw information from a simple map. Explore the natural world around them. Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside. ELG: Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, and maps.	Give a guided walk of the local area. Point out significant places, landmarks, human and physical features and types of land use. Include on your route, where possible, the chance to see open space, businesses, facilities, places of worship and housing areas. Children use a draft street map or simple aerial plan to label

			CLL: ELG: Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.	points of interest along the way. E.g., Point 1 = School Point 2= Library Point 3= Local playground. Children could take photographs/video of key places. Recount of field work trip.
	Listen and respond to different	Sounds - listen carefully to	Draw with increasing complexity	Drawing maps as part of UtW.
	sounds.	different sounds and try to	and detail, such as representing a	
Expressive Arts and		identify who is working. Then try	face with a circle and including	
Design		to replicate the sounds of a	details.	
		different person working, using a	Use drawing to represent ideas	
		selection of instruments.	like movement or loud noises.	

Unit 5 Winter				
	Nursery		Reception	
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties
	development Bands)		development Bands)	
	To practise following instructions	Children to practise following	Shares well thought-out ideas	Look for signs of winter on a
Communication and	that have two parts.	two-part instructions by dressing	and explanations using different	fresh morning wander outside.
Language		in winter clothes and completing	sources (books, experiences,	Encourage children to use talk to
		winter activities and actions.	discussions, new vocabulary).	explain some of the seasonal
				changes they have noticed.
	To choose the appropriate	Children to kitchen equipment	Know and talk about the different	Children to think about different
Personal, Social and	resources to carry out a	and use it to make a warming	factors that support their overall	ways that they can stay seen by
Emotional	collaborative task.	winter soup by following a simple	health and wellbeing:	drivers and stay safe during
Development		recipe.	being a safe pedestrian	darker evenings. Children to
·				explore reflectors and other
	Hardware and the second state	B. day this have a threshill as	LL Control Cliffs	safety advice.
	Use large-muscle movements to	During this lesson, the children	Unit 2 Social Skills	Unit 2 Social Skills
	wave flags and streamers.	will learn and practise the simple	(See Jasmine PE Online Planning)	(See Jasmine PE Online Planning)
Physical Development	Start taking part in some group	song and dance 'Head, Shoulders,		
(Reception: Jasmine PE	activities which they make up for	Knees and Toes'. They will work		
Unit 2)	themselves, or in teams.	as a small group to think about		
	Are increasingly able to use and	how they could change the speed		
	remember sequences and	and style of the song and dance.		

Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons)	patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm. Develop their phonological awareness, so that they can: - spot and suggest rhymes To explore print and develop an awareness of rhyme.	Practise fine motor skills by using scissors to create and experiment with making snips and shapes in paper to create beautiful and unique snowflakes. Learn Winter rhyme to provide an opportunity for children to explore print and develop their awareness of words that rhyme. Focused Text: The Squirrels Who	To use phonic knowledge to write some simple words.	Plan for an exciting winter holiday and use phonic knowledge to write a packing list. Suggested Texts: Stickman/Lost and Found
	awareness of myme.	Squabbled by Rachel Bright		Focused Text: The Squirrels Who
				Squabbled by Rachel Bright
Mathematics	= 11 1 11 1155	-	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World	Talk about the differences between materials and changes they notice. Can explore and describe how materials change.	Investigate ice by observing ice cubes melting and changing state. Children to experiment with changing the conditions to see if ice melts more quickly or slowly. Invite children to explore change by making their own ice lollies!	Understand the effect of changing seasons on the natural world around them. To observe changes across the 4 seasons by exploring how some animals adapt to survive in winter. ELG: Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter	Support children to think about the changes humans make in winter to adapt to changes in the weather and conditions. Discuss how we do things differently in the winter to adapt to the weather, such as wearing warmer clothes, turning the heating on, having more lights on and possibly eating different types of food. Also discuss what happens in the evenings (that it get darker earlier than it does in the summer). Ask children to think about how animals might adapt in the winter and share ideas. Can children explain how some animals adapt in winter? Explain the strategies different animals use to survive winter. Ask children if they know any animals which do any of these things. Discuss why animals do this and what would happen if they didn't. Discuss which animals do which things to survive. Children choose an animal and describe what it does to survive in winter and why.

				Investigate ice cubes: Melting and freezing.
Expressive Arts and Design	Explore different materials freely, in order to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make. Create with a purpose, selecting appropriate materials to use.	Explore different materials and use the materials to create suitable winter clothes for a soft toy using their own ideas	Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. To create an artistic representation using a range of planned techniques and effects.	Paint their own winter scene by mixing different shades of colour and adding textures and artistic effects to their picture.

Unit 6 and 7: Christmas!				
	Nursery		Reception	
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to development Bands)	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to development Bands)	Suggested Activties
Communication and Language	Learn and sing a variety of songs and rhymes.	Children work together to learn and perform some Christmas songs and rhymes,	Use new vocabulary related to a known story.	Invite children to discuss the Nativity story, learn and use new vocabulary and create their own Nativity scene.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Develop their understanding of rules and their importance in keeping everyone happy and safe.	Christmas games e.g. musical statues, musical chairs, pass the parcel etc.	Develops relationships with peers by showing empathy, interest and consideration to others.	Reflect on kindness and the gift of giving and receiving presents. Imagine their friend's favourite present before they role play giving their gift to their friend, acknowledging their reasons for the present.
Physical Development (Reception: Jasmine PE Unit 2)	Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers. Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams. Are increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm.	During this lesson, the children will learn the song and dance 'The Hokey-Cokey'. They will work as a group to change the speed and style of the dance and will also think about how they can adapt some of the words and movements in it to create a new dance.	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Practise small motor skills to use simple sewing equipment.	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Children to practise their small motor skills to sew pieces of felt together and decorate them to create mini-Christmas stockings.
Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons)	Recognise and sort objects with the same initial sound.	Children to become Santa's helpers to find all the lost presents and sort them into	Say sounds represented by individual letters and blend them into words.	Help Santa to read Christmas gift lists using their segmenting and blending skills. Then sort the presents into the correct bags to

		groups of the same initial sounds		ensure that all the children will
		to save Christmas!		be happy on Christmas day.
Mathematics		Maths No Problem (See	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World	Remembers and talks about special times and traditions in their family.	Explore what Christmas is, who celebrates Christmas and how they celebrate it. Children explore Christmas traditions that they, or others, may do in their family. Through painting or drawing, children record and talk about their own special family traditions.	Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling. Talk about familiar events in the past.	Children will explore Christmas presents that children would have received in the past and compare these to toys today. Children to explore how Christmas is celebrated today and how it was celebrated in Victorian times.
Expressive Arts and Design	Experiments with different materials, developing their ideas about how to use them.	Experiment with different materials and develop ideas about how to use them, by rolling baubles through paint in a tray to create different patterns. Print patterns to create Christmas wrapping paper. Decorate stockings.	Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources and skills. Work together, sharing resources to create collaborative art.	Children work collaboratively and share resources to create a large Christmas tree using loose parts.

Unit 7 The Jolly Christmas Postman by Allan and Janet Ahlberg					
	Nur	sery	Reception		
Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	
	development Bands)		development Bands)		
	Enjoy listening to longer stories	Listen to and respond to the story	Describe events in some detail.	Read some of the letters the Jolly	
	and can remember much of what	The Joll Christmas Postman by	Engage in story times.	Christmas Postman delivered.	
	happens.	the Ahlbergs.	Listen to and talk about stories to	Can the children use their	
Communication and	Know many rhymes, be able to	Children sing a rhyme whilst	build familiarity and	knowledge of stories and rhymes	
	talk about familiar books, and be	helping the Jolly Postman to post	understanding.	and guess who the letter is for?	
Language	able to tell a long story.	some Christmas cards!	Retell the story, once they have		
			developed a deep familiarity with		
			the text; some as exact repetition		
			and some in their own words.		

Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Talk about their feelings using words like 'happy', 'sad', 'angry' or 'worried'.	Reread the Nativity story again and identify emotions of the main characters throughout. Explore themes of kindness in the Nativity story.	To understand that Christmas is a time to think of others. UtW: Comment on images of familiar situations in the past. Compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.	Show children a selection of presents which have been wrapped up. Explore how receiving presents might make them feel. How might they feel if they receive a present? How might they feel if they are unwrapping presents? Discuss other occasions when they might be given a present such as other religious occasions, birthdays etc. Read through the information about the first Christmas presents given to Jesus by the Three Wise Men. Explain that these gifts were very expensive and this shows how important and special Jesus was. Are children able to name the first three gifts given to Jesus?
Physical Development (Reception: Jasmine PE Unit 2)	Use large-muscle movements to wave flags and streamers. Start taking part in some group activities which they make up for themselves, or in teams. Are increasingly able to use and remember sequences and patterns of movements which are related to music and rhythm.	During this lesson, the children will learn the song and dance 'Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush'. They will work as a group to change the speed and style of the dance. They will also think about how they can adapt some of the words and movements in it to create a new dance.	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors.	Unit 2 Social Skills (See Jasmine PE Online Planning) Fine motor – Christmas cutting skills tasks e.g., paper chains, decorate tree, snowflakes etc.
Literacy (Reception: daily RWInc lessons)	Enjoy listening to longer stories and can remember much of what happens. Be able to talk about familiar books and be able to tell a long story. Write some or all of their name. Write some letters accurately.	Create a 3D pictorial story map of the Jolly Christmas Postman and use it to retell the story. Write Christmas cards to friends and families and sign their names.	Retell the story, once they have developed a deep familiarity with the text; some as exact repetition and some in their own words. Connect one idea or action to another using a range of connectives. Form lower-case and capital letters correctly.	Create a pictorial map of the Jolly Christmas Postman story – use for retelling the story. Children use time words to retell the story using the map as an aid. Children write letters to Santa with their Christmas wishes!

			Spell words by identifying the sounds and then writing the sound with letter/s. Write short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and full stop.	
Mathematics		Maths No Problem (See	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the World		Continue to explore ice – melting and freezing.	Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class. Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling. Talk about familiar events in the past.	Continue to learn about how Christmas was celebrated in the past. Sort Christmas images into categories – present and past. Sort Christmas toys then and now. Explore how Christmas is celebrated around the world. Match Christmas images from different countries to the correct country name.
Expressive Arts and Design	Join different materials and explore different textures. Create closed shapes with continuous lines, and begin to use these shapes to represent objects.	Children to create their own Christmas cards. Create 3D models of Christmas trees, angels etc.	Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.	Children to create their own Christmas cards. Create Christmas trees using various techniques.

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Areas of Learning	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	Learning Objectives (linked to	Suggested Activties	
	development Bands)		development Bands)		
Communication and					
Language					
Personal, Social and					
Emotional					
Development					
Dhysical Dayslanmant	Use large-muscle movements to	During this lesson, the children		·	
Physical Development	wave flags and streamers.	will work in small groups to			

(Reception: Jasmine PE	Start taking part in some group	choose their favourite song and		
Unit 2)	activities which they make up for	dance. They will think about how		
	themselves, or in teams.	they can adapt it to make it their		
	Are increasingly able to use and	own, and perform this to the rest		
	remember sequences and	of the class.		
	patterns of movements which are			
	related to music and rhythm.			
Literacy				
(Reception: daily RWInc				
lessons)				
Mathematics		Maths No Problem (See	Medium Term Planning)	
Understanding the				
World				
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Design				

Texts for this half term:

