

What we are learning about:

This week we will be continuing our thinking on celebrations.

We will revisit the story 'Little Glow' and look at the celebrations we have already had, and those that are next in the story.

This week we will focus on the Jewish festival of Hanukkah and how it is celebrated by Jewish people.

We will look at what they believe and the story of why they celebrate, and watching how some Jewish families celebrate.

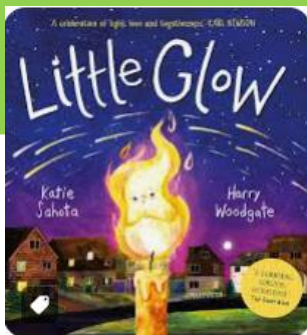
Children will make Menorah's from lolly sticks, think of words for being brave, making greetings cards and 'sending' them in the post office.

We will also try Sufganiyot (donuts) and Gelt (chocolate coins).

Later in the week we will begin thinking about Christmas and what that means to us, and what our memories of it are.

We will write letters to Santa, make tree decorations and post letters and cards in our post office!

We will delve into the story of Christmas for Christians next week.

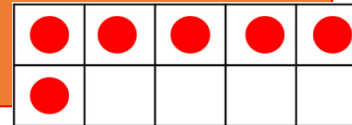


Sparrows & Wrens Week Beginning 24/11/2025

Maths

This week we will be looking at the number 6 in a range of different ways.

We will be counting out, practicing writing it, and looking at different ways to make 6.



RWI Phonics

Children will continue in their RWI groups.

This means that all children will be working at the phonics level that is right for them.

We are working hard on consolidating our blending skills and noticing diagraphs (2 letters 1 sound) both on their own and in words.

Ideas for at home:



Watch:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000cf2n/my-first-festivals-series-1-4-hanukkah>

Practice getting dressed for the weather by themselves, putting on and zipping up coats and putting on gloves and scarves.

Read new RWI books or practice sounds that have been sent home at least 3 times a week.

In reading for pleasure books, continue to recognise any of the sounds from RWI that week? Can they see the sounds in the environment?

We are seeing huge improvements with anti-clockwise circles however, can they continue to secure accurate starting points for the 'curved' letter families. Still starting with a top-right starting point. As before, this can include chalk circles, paint circles, colouring pencil circles to embed this skill.

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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b08pgksd/numberblocks-series-2-six>

Reminders:

Please bring in nativity costumes whenever you have them!

Please make sure they are in a bag with your child's name on.