

Literacy

In Literacy, we will be exploring images and video clips of nocturnal animals. We will be supported to write down all the things we find out. We will also be using non-fiction books to find out more about nocturnal and diurnal animals. We shall be learning to write lists using bullet points as well as planning and writing a story about space.

We shall also be finding out about people who work at night-time while we are asleep.

Phonics

We will continue to have daily phonics sessions following the RWI program.

Communication and Language

We will be sharing many stories linked to our theme including 'Ready for Bed', 'The Lost Stars' and 'Owl Babies'.

We will be asking and answering questions using the sentence stems 'who', 'why', 'what', 'how' and 'when'.

We shall also enjoy learning and singing bedtime songs and rhymes.

Talk for Writing

Our focus text this half term will be 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jeffers.

Maths

This half term, we shall be consolidating our knowledge of numbers up to 10. We will begin exploring the part-whole model and learn to combine two groups to find a total (addition).

We will also be comparing size of objects through the story 'Papa, Will You Get the Moon for Me' by Eric Carle.

Spring 1 **What Happens When I Fall Asleep?**



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be working together to solve problems and resolve conflict. We will be thinking about different emotions as we explore the story 'Owl Babies'. We will also be developing our roles and responsibilities in the classroom.

Our Circle Time theme will be
Dreams and Goals.

Understanding the world

We will be learning about nocturnal and diurnal animals, exploring why it is dark at night and creating sleep diaries.

We will think about how people in the past used to go to bed by candle light, wear bed caps and had bedpans and baths by the fire. We will be using the Book Creator APP to help us learn about writing captions and use torches to explore the dark areas of the classroom.

We will explore how New Year, Chinese New Year and Valentines Day are celebrated.

Physical Development

In order to develop our gross-motor skills this half term, we will be exploring how to move our bodies to music and creating a sequence of different movements. We will be using pincers and tweezers to refine our fine-motor skills.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be creating a 'Sleepy Thing' from an old sock, making star mobiles and drawing our own star constellations.

We will be exploring the different sounds of musical instruments, learning how to create a rhythm and keep a steady beat.