Acorn Class - Knowledge Organizer – Term 2

Focus: Come and Celebrate - Hanukkah and Christmas Past & Present
LIGHT and COLOUR

Routines

This term we are trialling the use of 'pods'. This enables a pupil to self regulate in their pod by doing something that they enjoy. This maybe playing with playdough, eating, spinning on the 'spinning chair' or simply to lie down and be still and quiet.

Pupils will be supported by an adult only if appropriate but each pupil will have their own space where they can begin to recognise their own emotions and how they can begin to help themselves.

Main text for the term: Little Glow and 'What Colour?'

This term we are looking at Light and Colour. Each week we have a different colour focus, where we will explore different items that are always that colour and begin to understand the meaning of the colour.

Firstly, we will be looking at the Primary colours of red, blue and yellow and then moving onto what happens when you mix these colours, with a focus on orange and green and the final week we will be having a focus on Christmas and looking at the colours silver and gold.

Maths



This term we continue to introduce numbers, this time with a focus on the numbers 6,7,8,9 and 10. Key vocabulary is introduced using Makaton and widgit symbols to support new learning.

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Phonics



We have changed our Phonic Scheme and now looking at a letter a week. We play a game 'What's in the bag' where pupils fine and name objects beginning with the letter.

Foundation subjects/Functional skills Cooking, Life Skills, Music, Art, topic

In Acorn we foster a love of learning by practising our functional skills through embedding and enhancing routines, fine and gross motor skills, sensory exploring, social skills work, creativity, independence, communication and learning through play.

Each foundation subject will also have the colour of the week being used throughout.

Core Word of the week:



We use 'Makaton With Lucinda' (You-Tube) to help with the Makaton signs and also 'core word boards' that are used to help the children identify the core words and their symbol (using Widgit)

w/b 2/11/26 – colour

w/b 9/11/26 – red

w/b 16/11/26 – blue

w/b 23/11/26 – yellow

w/b 30/11/26 – orange

w/b 7/12/26 – green

w/b 14/12/26 – silver/gold

Please find all of these songs on 'Makaton With Lucinda' (You-Tube). A core word board will be sent home each week to support this learning at home.