

**THE FOUNDATION STAGE
(Early Foundation Stage – Reception)**

How to help your child during the next 6 weeks

Autumn Term 2: Focus – Festivals

Personal social and emotional development	Communication and language	Physical development	
<p>It is really helpful if you can talk to your child about resolving conflicts and encourage them to tell an adult if they are unhappy or feel they are being treated unfairly.</p> <p>Fill in a 'WOW' sheet and share with us some of the lovely things your child does at home.</p>	<p>Look at and talk about the changes as autumn turns to winter.</p> <p>Encourage your child to retell a story helping them create a beginning, middle and end.</p>	<p>Continue to help your child use a knife and fork as many of the children are finding this skill difficult.</p> <p>Encourage your child to dress/undress independently, doing up buttons and zips on coats is very useful with the cold weather arriving.</p>	
Reading and Writing	Mathematics	Understanding the world	Expressive arts and design
<p>Talk about the letter sound that your child brings home and help them to write the letter in the air or with paint and writing tools.</p> <p>Discuss letters and signs in the environment.</p> <p>It is important to attend the reading meeting that will take place this term. Details to follow later.</p>	<p>Play board and dice games, counting the number of dots on the dice and matching the appropriate number.</p> <p>Look for and talk about circles, squares, rectangles and triangles when you are out together.</p> <p>Discuss one more or one less than a number from 0-10.</p>	<p>Help your child to learn the days of the week in order.</p> <p>Find out about Diwali, Advent and Christmas by sharing a book together or using the internet. We would love your child to share any information they find with us.</p>	<p>Our annual Nativity concert is fast approaching and hopefully the children will be singing the songs to you at home. Please encourage them.</p>