

Stars

AUTUMN 2

What your child is learning this half term, and how you can help at home.

OUR CLASS STORY

Star in the Jar

by Sam Hay

A boy finds a lost star and keeps it in a jar, but the star is sad. How can he help it get home? Look out for Sam Star, our missing class star.

WE'LL ALSO SHARE

Pumpkin Soup; Where the Poppies Now Grow; The Grumpy Badger's Christmas; Whatever Next!; rhymes such as Twinkle Twinkle

Reading and writing

SOUNDS WE'RE LEARNING (LITTLE WANDLE)

ff	ll	ss	j	v	w	x	y
z	zz	qu	ch	sh	th	ng	nk

Tricky words: put, pull, full, as, and, has, his, her, go, no, to, into, she, push, he, of, we, me, be

- Reading short words such as ship, chin and ring
- Writing words by saying the sounds in order
- Writing a short caption with finger spaces

Talking and listening

- Following two-part instructions
- Retelling the story: First... Next... Finally...
- Explaining with "because"

Feelings and friendships

- What I am good at; we are all different
- Being a kind friend and taking turns
- Using words when someone is unkind, online too

Moving and making

- Throwing, rolling and catching a ball
- Cutting along curved lines
- Using a knife safely to make soup

Maths

- Seeing up to 5 without counting; 5 is 3 and 2
- One more, one less, and how numbers change
- 2D and 3D shapes: turning and fitting them

Our world

- Winter weather; animals that hibernate
- Fruit and vegetables, using our senses
- Remembrance, Diwali and Christmas
- Simple maps; giving routes to toy vehicles

Art and music

- Designing and making vegetable soup
- Matching pitch and using character voices
- Keeping a steady beat on instruments

How you can help at home

1. Read the reading book from school every day; little and often.
2. Spot sh, ch and th on signs, packets and in books.
3. Roll a dice and say the number without counting the dots.
4. Draw a map of your street or the walk to school.
5. Talk about the celebrations your family enjoys.

Out and about

- Walk to the war memorial
- Hindu visitors for Diwali
- Pantomime and Christmas dinner
- Anti-Bullying Week

OUR VALUES THIS HALF TERM

Inclusion

Respect

Forgiveness