

Within Reception, we have been promoting awareness of Children's Cancer and Leukaemia through a 'Be Bold, Be Gold' day.

All the children were encouraged to wear yellow or gold clothing and attending our cake sale to help raise money for a charity that is incredibly close to our hearts.





Today we got to dress up and celebrate Autumn. Some children chose to wear costumes which linked to our stories,

such as 'Funny Bones' or 'Winnie the Witch'. We enjoyed all the fun and messy creative activities and loved listening to lots of spooky stories.



We have been learning all about Remembrance Day. We have been teaching children about the significance of Remembrance Day and why people wear poppies to remember the fallen within wars. The children also gained understanding as to why the nation comes to a halt at 11am to remember all the people who fought for our country. The children really enjoyed painting a poppy stone each, which has been carefully placed at our church within the community for all to enjoy.





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This week we have been celebrating Diwali. Diwali celebrates the triumph of good over evil and light over dark; it is also known as the Festival of Light because of the tradition where people light oil lamps in their homes. The children enjoyed the story of Rama and Sita and all the lovely ways in which Diwali is celebrated around the world. The children created rangoli patterns and their own Diva lamps to take home.



The children especially enjoyed trying some traditional food as part of the celebrations.



We have been very busy learning all about the traditional story of Christmas and the birth of Jesus. We were very excited to act out this story as our Nativity play and we filmed it to share it with our parents. Look how amazing we all look in our costumes!



We had a very special visitor today to help all the children celebrate Christmas. All the children were able to ask questions to Father Christmas and their faces lit up when Father Christmas handed out Candy canes as a treat for all their fantastic behaviour over the Autumn term.



We have been learning about Burns Night and why this day is celebrated by Scottish people all around the world. We learnt all about Robert Burns, the famous Scottish poet, we listened to 'Auld Lang Syne' and Scottish music with bagpipes playing. We created our own Scottish flags and tartan patterns.



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The children especially enjoyed making and tasting traditional Scottish shortbread biscuits, yummy!



Making Shortbread
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We have had great fun learning all about Chinese New Year. We learnt that this is an important date on the Chinese calendar. People get together and welcome the new year with customs that shall bring good luck, good fortune, wealth, and happiness. We learnt that the new year is often celebrated with dragon dances, gift exchanging and fireworks. It ends typically with lantern festivals on the 15th day of the first calendar month. We also enjoyed trying traditional Chinese food which was very delicious!



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