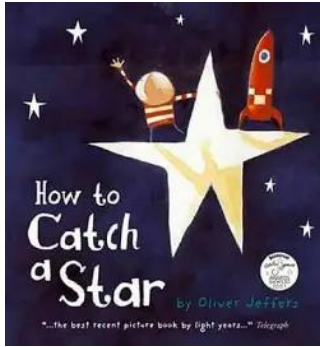




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Our topic this week is 'Bonfire night'. We have read books about dark/light, space, stars and Bonfire night.

Books we have read:

- How to catch a star
- Owl babies
- Sparks in the sky
- Goodnight spaceman

Activities/provision this week:

- Fire station small world play - fire trucks, firefighters, fire stations, torches etc.
- Bonfire night food/drink stall - The children made hot drinks and food to celebrate bonfire night. For example, making hot chocolates and toasting marshmallows
- Firework playdough - star cutters and colourful pipe cleaners. The children made their own fireworks using playdough
- Fine motor glitter tray - The children made firework patterns using glitter and paintbrushes
- Rocket craft - The children decorated a rocket using black card, sequins, tissue paper, star stickers etc.
- Firework mark making activity - We covered the craft table in black paper, and the children drew fireworks using colourful oil pastels.
- Firework painting - The children painted fireworks on black card using cut up cardboard rolls
- Edible sparklers - We sat in circle on the carpet and had a pretend 'bonfire'. They dipped breadsticks into melted chocolate and sprinkles. Later in the week we repeated the activity with apples and bananas.

- Firework dancing - The children danced to firework music using colourful pieces of material.
- We watched a fireman Sam video about fire safety. We then discussed how to keep ourselves safe at bonfire night.
- Firefighter role play - We drew a pretend fire on a large tuff tray using chalk. The children used spray bottles filled with water to 'put out the fire'.

Phonics: Instrumental sounds

This term our phonics focus is instrumental sounds! We will be experimenting playing with a variety of instruments. We will practice playing the instruments loud, quiet, fast, slow etc.

Maths: Order principle - counting in order

The children have been learning how to:

- Count in order from 1-5 or 1-10
- Count backwards from 1-5 or 1-10
- Count 1-10 objects, saying each number name in order
- Counting to nursery rhymes e.g. Five little monkeys jumping on the bed, There were ten in the bed.

Next week the topic will continue to be: **Bonfire night**

Important information

- We are on **half term from 27th October to 31st October.**
- Please can the children bring in any **books from home about Autumn, dark/light, stars, night time etc.**
- Send in any photos of the children enjoying **half term activities** and experiences for the children to share at circle time.
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- We have had some cases of nits in pre-school. Please can we ask parents/carers to check their children.