



# John of Rolleston Foundation News



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## Teaching and Learning This Week

This week the teaching and learning has been based around 'Diwali'. The children have learnt about the story of Rama and Sita, created mehndi hand patterns, written Diwali cards and explored Hindu artefacts. They have also had the opportunity to engage within other 'Diwali' themed learning activities.

### Ideas for learning at home

Ask your child to tell you the story of Rama and Sita.

Use playdough to make diva lamps.

Explore Diwali on cbeebies - Let's Celebrate.

### Outdoor Learning

There will be outdoor learning tomorrow Friday 16 November 2018.

This will be based on Sherborne site, so children will not need a change of clothes.

Thank you ☺

### Children in Need

Tomorrow, as a school, we are becoming part of Children in Need 2018. The children are invited to wear their own clothes and participate in other fund raising activities.

Please refer to the whole school newsletter issued Friday 9 November for further information.

### Birthdays

Next week the teaching and learning will be based on exploring how families celebrate birthdays. Therefore, we ask that by tomorrow, Friday 16 November 2018 or Monday 19 November 2018, children bring into school a photograph of a birthday celebration they have attended. This could be from their own birthday or someone else's. Please ensure your child's name is on the reverse of the photograph.

We will be using the photograph for activities and display purposes, so please send in a photograph we can keep.

Apologies for the short notice and thank you once again for your continued support.

### Party Afternoon

During the afternoon of Tuesday 20 November we are going to play some traditional birthday party games in the hall with the children. Therefore on this day children are invited to bring in party clothes to change into before we go into the hall. Please ensure that these are in a named bag your child will recognise.

Thank you.

### Letters and sounds

Red Room and Blue Room:

Learn the phoneme and graphemes for **e** & **u**. The children have been listening for these sounds in words, exploring how we can read words with these phonemes (robot arms - segmenting and blending) and practising writing the grapheme for both **e** & **u**.

### Number Groups

Red Room and Blue Room:

This week we have been focussing on counting fixed objects and actions. Children have counted Diwali related objects as well as actions such as claps, nods of the head, blinks and jumps. Ask your child to be a teacher and demonstrate this to you and challenge you to join in.