Early Years Weekly Overview

Week beginning 9th November

English Topic	This week we will begin our new topic of Diwali. The children will learn about the Hindu festival of lights and how people celebrate it in their homes. We will read a range of books about Diwali including the story of Rama and Sita and the children will take part in various activities throughout the week to experience this festival. We will read non-fiction books and explore how these books are structured and what makes them different from fiction books. The children will continue to develop their fine motor skills by colouring pictures from the story and copy the names of characters as well decorate Diwali cards to their family and friends. The children will also continue their phonics lessons and learn the new sounds 'j', 'v', 'w' and 'x'. The children will have opportunities to recognise and write these letters. As part of this learning, they will learn the corresponding letter rhymes and listen to the Jolly Phonics songs. They will discuss the different objects that start with 'j', 'v' ,'w' and x and listen for those initial sounds in words. In addition to this, the children will learn the new high frequency word 'the' and recap 'I', 'no' and 'go'.
Mathematics Topic	This week we will continue focusing on the numbers 1-5. We will learn number bonds for the numbers 4 and 5 and practising quick recall of these. We will be looking at the composition of the numbers 4 and 5 in a range of ways, including using the part-whole model, the bar model and using Numicon to find number bonds.
English Homework **Set:** 13th November **Due:** 17th November	Can you practise writing our sounds of the week 'j', 'v', 'w' and 'x'? Can you think of objects that begin with or have those sounds in them? **Please** practice writing your name. Remember to only use a capital letter at the beginning of your name and write the rest in lowercase letters. **Remember to use the letter formation rhymes in your book bag to help you.**
Mathematics Homework **Set:** 13th November **Due:** 17th November	Can you practise writing numbers 1-5? Can you use your 5 toys or 5 objects to identify one more or less? **Remember to use the number formation sheet given out at the start of the year to help with formation.**