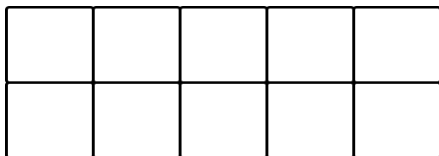
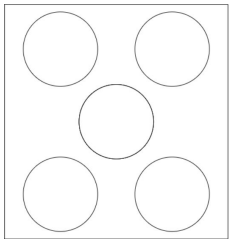


## What have we learnt this half term?

In literacy, we have used our phonetical knowledge to write captions. Using these skills, we have been able to write about our stories we have been reading linking to our topic of festivals: Scarecrows Weddings, Stickman and Rama and Sita.

In maths, we have solidified our knowledge of numbers to 5 using a hungarian five frame and have been looking at the composition of numbers to 10. We have been using a 10 frame to look at numbers to 10 and how we can split these numbers using a part whole model and making equal amounts. We have also focussed our skills on subitising to 5 using rekenreks.



In Project, we have experimented with manipulating clay and have created a tea light holder which we then decorated. We used our knowledge of primary and secondary colours to choose our colour to paint them and added details using a variety of tools and different techniques such as indentations.

In Topic, we have learnt about different festivals such as Diwali and Christmas and looked at similarities and differences. This was a great discussion topic as this allowed us to share our own traditions for our own celebrations/festivals.



Please keep an eye on Google Classroom for updates.

## What will we be learning next half term?

- **Literacy**
  - Writing captions and sentences
  - Beginning to include 'special friends' and red words
- **Maths**
  - Addition within 10
  - Number bonds to 10
  - Length, height and weight
- **Topic**
  - Rainforests
- **PE**
  - Cooperation and dance
- **Diploma**
  - Protect and respect the environment

## Project/Topic

Next half term in Topic we will look at natural features of the environment. We will be looking a tribe living in the rainforest and how their lives are different and similar to ours. Using this knowledge, we will then create our shelters in Project using a variety of fine motor skills.

## How to help at home

- Join Google Classroom – teachers can help with this
- Support number knowledge to 10
- Continue to use QR codes to revisit phonics
- Encourage fine motor skills to aid pencil control and accurate use of scissors
- Letter formation sheets can be given if you would like to support letter formation at home.

## Thank you

Thank you for your ongoing support don't hesitate to speak to Miss Reynolds or Mrs Broadhead at the end of the day or ring the school office if you have any questions or concerns. Have a wonderful half term!

The EYFS team

## Dates for the diary:

Monday 5th January - Back to school  
Family Friday – 7<sup>th</sup> January 3pm