### Literacy

We will focus on retelling simple stories and narratives using our own words and some recently introduced vocabulary. We will continue to learn set 1 and 2 letter sounds and begin to read and write simple captions using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops. We will continue to refine our formation of letters and we will explore writing for different purposes.

### Oracy (communication and language)

We will be developing our speaking and listening through discussing our new topic. We will be exposed to new vocabulary as we explore night and day. We will be encouraged to connect our ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences. We will learn to ask questions to find out more.

#### Expressive Art & Design (Links to Music and Drama)

We will begin to explore and engage in music making and dance. We will explore role play and develop storylines in our pretend play within the classroom environment.

### **Expressive Art & Design (Links to Art)**

We will be looking at creating art work using a string technique. We will look at artist Vincent Van Gogh and create our own 'Starry Night' paintings.

#### Expressive Art & Design (Links to Design Technology)

We will be creating our own shadow puppets to explore light and dark. During Advent we will create Advent wreaths, Christingles and decorations.

### To Know You More Clearly

We will gather and come together. Our theme will be Prophecy & Promise. We will sequence the accounts from the Annunciation through to the visit from the shepherds.

#### Personal Development - PSHE/RSE

We will continue to be supported to understand and talk about how others might be feeling. We will look at characters from a story and link book character's emotions to our own experiences. We will begin to set our own goals and build up resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.

# **Reception- Autumn 2 Term**

Theme – Night and Day



# **Core Text**

Star in a Jar by Sam Hay



# You can help at home by...

Ask the children about their day. What was the phonics sound today? What story did we read? What are we learning about in maths this week? Support children with any home learning that will be sent home.

#### Maths

We will continue to learn how to represent and break down numerals to 10. We will learn about one more and one less and how this relates to addition and subtraction. We will explore measures and begin to use language to describe length, height and weight.

#### P.E. (Physical development)

We will begin to understand the rules and reasons for different sporting games. We will further develop and refine a range of ball skills including: throwing, catching and kicking.

## <u>Understanding of the World (Links to Science)</u>

We will explore light and dark and will create and shadows and talk about the difference between day and night. We will start to look at space and what is beyond our world.

# **Understanding of the World (Links to History)**

We will begin to become familiar with concepts of time; day, after, past. We will look at houses from the past and compare to present day. We will explore different festivals and plot on a timeline e.g. bonfire night, remembrance day etc.

# **Understanding of the World (Geography)**

We will explore our local environment as we look for seasonal changes. We will look at different places around the world as we talk about and celebrate different traditions e.g. Diwali.