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The children have been talking about the fireworks they have seen and been painting fireworks using different techniques, mixing lots of colours and forks for mark making.

Diwali is the Hindu festival Light, it is a very exciting and colourful celebration. People clean their home and open the windows so the Hindu goddess of wealth called Lakshmi can enter. Special clay lamps called Diyas are lit to light up the way for the goddess; families gather together wearing their new clothes, exchange presents, eat sweets and watch the fireworks at night-time. We have been celebrating Diwali at playgroup by making our own Mehndi patterns and Diya lights.

#### Remembrance Day – Poppy Tuff Tray

The children added sand, soldiers, logs and bridges to the tray and we talked about the colour of the poppies and why they are red and about the soldiers, what they wore and their weapons. There was lots of new language introduced like armour, chain-link, mace, sword and shield. A 2 minute silence was completed on Monday 11/11 to show our respect for the soldiers who gave up their lives so we could live our lives today. We watched a video, made and wore our poppies.



The children have been busy helping plant garlic at the school allotment. We talked about the garlic bulbs, what they are used for and how they smell.

Our Harvest Festival food collection has been added to the Primary school collection and donated to the Food bank. A big thank you for all your donations.

Children In Need – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. We have been busy making Pudsey masks and ears, playing Pudsey bingo and creating spotty cakes and biscuits. The staff and children have also been wearing something yellow or spotty to playgroup this week.

#### Dates for your Diary

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Nativity Performance

Last day of Term 2