

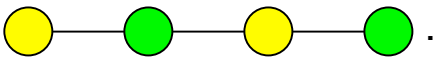
Colour and Light

Ideas for Parents - Class 5

Communication, Language and Literacy

- Talk about the dark mornings and the dark nights. How can we see when it's dark? Look at things around the house that give us light.
- Go for a walk outside and talk about the colours in the countryside.
- Read 'The Owl who was afraid of the dark' and research 'Festivals of Light' either on the internet or in the library.

Mathematical Development

- Ask children to look for articles of certain colours e.g. "please find 5 blue things in the kitchen" or "How many red things are there in your bedroom?"
- Draw some beads.  .
Colour one yellow and then one green. Continue the pattern to the end of the line.
- Make other coloured patterns and ask children to recognise what they are and then to continue the pattern.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- Talk about being afraid of the dark. Why are some people afraid? What can we do to help anyone who does not like the dark?
- Try to imagine what it must be like for a blind person. How do they read and how do they make a phone call if they can't see the numbers? What do they carry when they are going for a walk and which animal is trained to help blind people?

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

- Bonfire night is a celebration held in November. Explain the significance of fireworks and Guy Fawkes.
- Investigate the use of candles e.g. on birthday cakes, advent, candle clocks, etc.
- Look at the Christmas lights in your local town or village. Find pictures of Christmas decoration in other countries.

Physical Development

- Practise cutting skills by making fireworks out of tubes and tissue paper.
- Design some Christmas cards and try to write a verse inside them. Ensure correct letter formation is used.

Creative Development

- Make some decorations for the Christmas tree.
- Experiment with paint. Choose two colours. How many different colours can you create from them? Make a stripy pattern to show your results.