Knowledge Organiser

Reception

Autumn 2 2026

What do Different People Celebrate?

Children will be able to...

- ⇒ Talk about different celebrations.
- ⇒ Talk about how different religions celebrate different festivals.
- ⇒ Compare and contrast Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas.
- ⇒ Talk about Eid and Hanukkah.
- ⇒ Know how the past has influenced the world we live in today,
- ⇒ Talk about their own birthdays and how these are celebrated.
- ⇒ Talk about the different types of clothes people wear.

In this unit we will be looking at different celebrations and thinking about why people celebrate them. We will look at any similarities and differences we can spot between different celebrations and even think how some of these traditions may have changed or been updated over time. We will share our own experiences and be respectful when hearing about other peoples' celebrations.

Key questions:

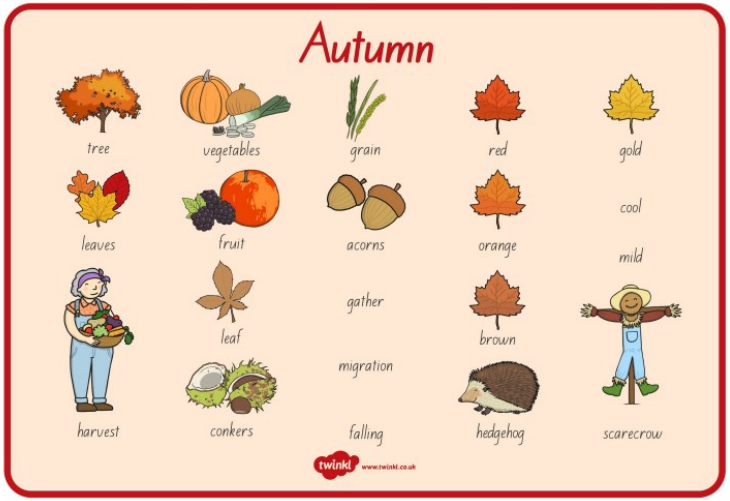
What festivals and occasions do the children in our class celebrate?

Do we all celebrate the same festivals?

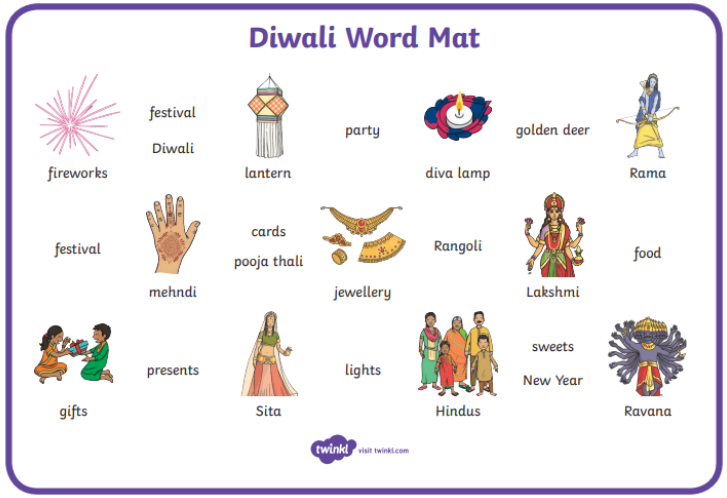
What happens at a celebration?

Can you talk about a celebration you have been to?

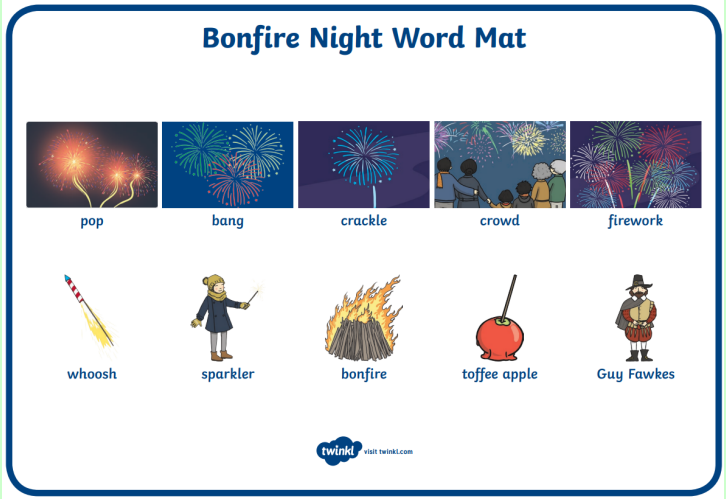
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Diwali



Bonfire Night



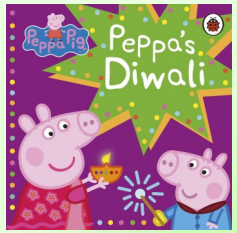
Christmas



Key Vocabulary

Vocabulary	Definitions
Celebration	The action of celebrating an important day or event.
Diwali	A Hindu festival called the festival of light.
Season	A period of the year defined by specific weather conditions.
Hibernate	An animal hides and his heart rate is lowered to save their energy.
Nativity	The birth of Jesus Christ.

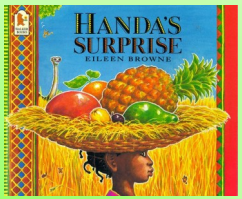
Books you could share at home



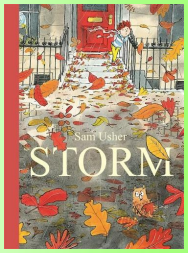
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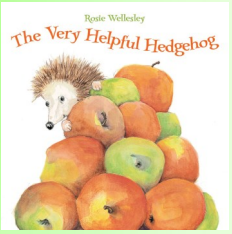
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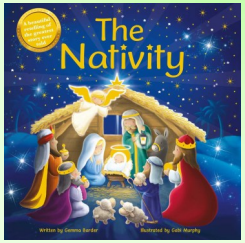


Storm



The Very Helpful Hedgehog





The Nativity