

# Celebrations

When is my birthday?

Who was Guy Fawkes? Why is Remembrance day important?

How is Diwali celebrated?

How is Hannukah celebrated?

What are different weddings like?

How is Christmas celebrated?

## Key Vocabulary

Bonfire, battlefield, celebration, date, month, year, tradition, Hinduism, Festival of Light, Rangoli, diva, decorations, Rama & Sita, Judaism, menorah, Christianity, gifts, marriage, vows, light, dark, shadow, bright, dim

## We will be...

- Learning about Guy Fawkes and creating fireworks pictures
- Talking about the significance of Remembrance Day and making tissue paper poppies
- Learning when our birthdays are and writing pretend party invitations
- Learning about Diwali celebrations, create Rangoli patterns and Diwali learn a Diwali dance
- Learning about Hannukah celebrations and labelling special items
- Share our experiences of celebrations, including Christmas
- Role playing the different celebrations we have learned about
- Exploring light, reflection and shadow using torches in dark spaces

## Key Texts



The story of Rama and Sita

The story of Hannukah

Kipper's Birthday

Let's Celebrate!: Festival Poems from Around the World

## RE

The RE theme this term is Christmas. The children will learn about Jesus and the nativity. Included in this topic are the themes of giving and thankfulness. The children will also look at the characters in the story such as the wise men.

## Things to do at home

- Practise learning the date and month of your birthday
- Take/bring in photos of celebrations you have experienced with your family and friends
- Help your grown ups to write invitations and thank you cards, especially by writing your name
- Create your own shadow puppets and do a puppet show



## Horizons

- Research different celebrations from around the world
- Watch the stories of Rama & Sita and Hannukah on YouTube