## Essential Question: What do people celebrate?

# Call to action: To identify some different celebrations people celebrate and to discover more about

About this unit: In this unit children will focus on Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Expressive Art and Design and develop their Understanding of the World.

Children will begin to learn about different celebrations including bonfire night and christmas. We will discover what other celebrations the children have been part of through discussions and pictures and talk about how these are celebrated. The children will learn about Autumn and the different changes that occur in the natural environment where we will learn about the weather and what we need to wear. The children will explore the sensory garden and outdoor environment learning about natural changes in the trees, leaves and plants.

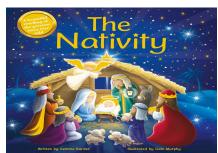
They will then explore different sounds we can create. The children will discover different musical instruments and experiment with different beats. We will also listen to some different types of music.

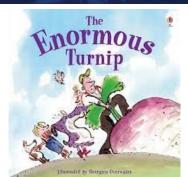
Later in the term we will begin to look at the celebration of christmas together, exploring similarities and differences between us and baby Jesus. The children will learn the christmas nativity story and some christmas songs to share with you all.

### Reading & Writing:

Children will be learning the text - The Enormous Turnip and later in the term, The christmas nativity. We will create a story map to retell the story with actions and props to support our recall and understanding of these. We will also have daily story sessions to help promote a love of reading. The children will also learn a cooking recipe which we will make together to support their recall.

We will see the children start to create marks which are purposeful within their pictures and writing and will explore various fine motor activities to support their pencil control.





#### Maths:

We will be learning to recognise how many objects and pictures there are without needing to count them and will learn to recognise 1, 2 and 3 as a numeral and a quantity.

We will then explore and create different patterns focusing on colours, movement patterns and natural object patterns. The children will learn how to make patterns as well as how to identify mistakes in patterns.

#### Physical Development

This term we will be exploring different ways of moving through dance. We will also be developing our handball skills through a range of activities.