

## Learning Challenges

### Engage

We will start our Learning Challenge by throwing a birthday party for Kipper, after reading the text Kipper's Birthday. It will help us to think about the ways we celebrate at home and when else we might have a party.

### Develop

To continue with our learning journey, we will be looking at different celebrations such as Bonfire Night, Eid, Diwali and Christmas. We will use videos, non-fiction books and stories to help us find out more and learn about why people celebrate these special times and some traditions that they might follow. The books Crescent Moons and Pointed Minarets, Jesus' Christmas Party and Father Christmas Needs a Wee are just some of the books we will use. We will explore how festivals are celebrated

*What if we were all the same?*

**When would you have a party?**



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by taking part in some typical activities such as making decorations, tasting food, creating artwork, and having fun with special people.

### Innovate

We will focus on the aspect of giving gifts during celebrations to help us think about how we can help others through our choices and our faiths. We will visit the local supermarket to buy food which we can donate as gifts to the food bank, with a label designed by each of us to show our thanks for what we have.

### Express

To share with you everything that we have learnt during this learning challenge, we will be inviting you to a party where we can showcase all we know about celebrations, while at the same time sharing our knowledge of the Christmas Story with you.

### BUILDING LEARNING POWERS

#### Collaborating

Collaborating Colin will help us to learn how to work as a team together to help each other and to learn from each other as we plan a party.

#### Noticing

We will be stretching our noticing muscle to spot similarities and differences between different faiths and festivals, and how people chose to celebrate.

#### Planning

We will learn that planning is important to learning, and that we can revise and adapt if we need to.

### CHRISTIAN VALUES

**Friendship** - we will be thinking about what Friendship means and how we can show this Value to others. We will be looking at stories from the bible to help us understand more about what it means and how we can develop this value within ourselves.

**Spirituality**: we will be thinking about being aware of ourselves and the experiences we have, and how to appreciate what we have and be generous.



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### Reception Reminders

**Reading Folders** - The children all have all been given a reading folder to help them carry all their wonderful artwork home, and keep their library books safe when they are not reading them. Please bring them every day.

**Library books** - Children have access to books every day in school. Please make sure your child brings their library book back to school every Tuesday so that they can swap it for a different one.

**PE kits** - all the children have a PE kit on their pegs, which will remain in school. Please send in a pair of black PE pumps, with your child's name inside, which they can wear for our PE sessions. We do PE in the Hall on a Monday.

**PLEASE NAME ALL CLOTHING AND SHOES SO THAT THEY CAN BE RETURNED TO THE CORRECT PERSON**

**Homework** - Homework boxes are given on a Wednesday to be returned on a Monday. Occasionally, Mrs Hewitt will set homework which needs to be returned to school. Usually, at the end of a term we will send home learning packs. These can remain at home and consolidate what we are teaching in school.

Thank you for your support

The Reception Team