



Phase 1 – Celebrations

Words of Wisdom:

Pumpkin Soup	Pumpkin, soup, pumpkin patch
Crackle Spit (Poem)	Firework, Crackle, whizzing
Poppies	Poppies, safety, remembrance
Rama and Sita	peaceful, oil lamps, tricked
Maisy goes to a Wedding	Wedding, beautiful, aisle
Tiger that came to Tea	Supper, tea, furry
Letter to Santa	Letter, elf, chimney
Nativity Story	Jesus, birth, travel
Gruffalo's child	Terribly, gleamed, track



We will be reading:

Pumpkin Soup- Helen Cooper

Crackle Spit (Poem)

Poppies (BBC video)

Rama and Sita- Malachy Doyle

Maisy goes to a wedding- Lucy Cousins

Tiger that came to Tea- Judith Kerr

Letter to Santa

Nativity Story

Gruffalo's child- Julia Donaldson

How can you support this topic at home?

- Discussing celebrations you have as a family and how you celebrate, such as; birthdays, weddings, bonfire night or religious ceremonies. Look at photographs of past celebrations if you have them.
- Think about when you celebrated over half term and remind your children that this was a celebration and discuss what you were doing and why.
- Draw pictures of celebrations you have had.
- Talk about the stories the children will be reading this term.

Key Questions:

- What is a celebration?
- Have you ever celebrated anything?
- How did you celebrate?
- Who celebrates Christmas?
- Who celebrates Diwali?
- Have you been to a birthday party?
- What do you do at Christmas?