Reception Autumn 2 Sparkly lights and Celebrations – Knowledge organiser

Things I Will Learn

I can talk about the different things that some people do to celebrate Diwali

diva fireworks rangoli feast temple







I can talk about the different things that some people do to celebrate Christmas

decorations gifts and cards feast carol singing advent calendar church Santa letter








I can talk about the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Daddy bear Mummy bear Baby bear porridge cottage Goldilocks








Things to talk about in this traditional story:

How many bears live in the cottage? What sizes are the bears, the bowls, the chairs and the beds?
What did Goldilocks do? And how did the bears feel?
What happens in the beginning, middle and end of the story? Change the story with a different ending.
Philosophy – Why did Goldilocks go in the house? Did she make the right choice? Why/Why not?

Topic words

Parent workshops on:

Phonics
Bug Club Phonics

Then, I can try to use these words:

Words associated with **Diwali** such as Rama, Sita, Hanuman, Ravana, community, Hinduism

Words associated with **Christmas** such as advent calendar, Christmas eve, Bethlehem, Manger, Inn, Angel Gabriel, Christmas pudding, stocking, sleigh, wreath, Christ birth, frankincense, myrrh, Mary, Joseph

Birthday – party, cake, present, balloon, date, month, celebration

Things to Talk About and Find Out:

Who celebrates Diwali/Christmas?

How do people celebrate these festivities?

Does everyone celebrate Diwali/ Christmas in the same way all around the world? What is the same and what is different?

Why are lights used in these festivals?

What happens in the traditional stories of the first Diwali and the first Christmas?

What kinds of foods are eaten to celebrate these festivities?

Why do people give gifts and share food to celebrate?

Why do people have Advent calendar in their homes before Christmas?

When is my birthday? What month in the year?

How will I celebrate my birthday?

Songs and rhymes and poems:

When Goldilocks went to the house of the bears
Popular Christmas carols and songs. Songs about Diwali

Books:

Fiction: Goldilocks and the three bears. The Three Billy Goats Gruff. Gruffalo
Non-Fiction: Festivals and celebration books on Diwali, Christmas, Bon Fire night, Halloween.