



# What is up above?

Reception  
Autumn Term 2  
2024



What is a  
celebration?

What do  
you  
celebrate?

Do we all  
celebrate the  
same?



How do we  
celebrate?

Why is  
Christmas  
special to  
Christians?

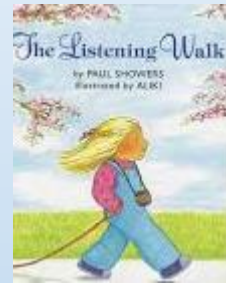
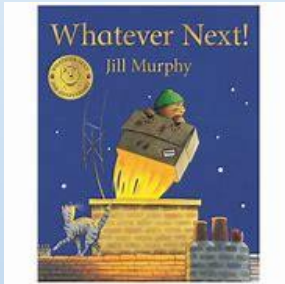
Which is  
your  
favourite  
celebration  
and why?

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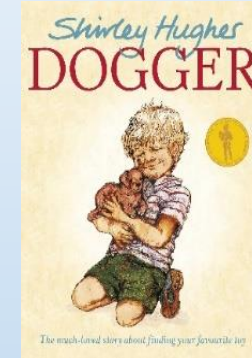
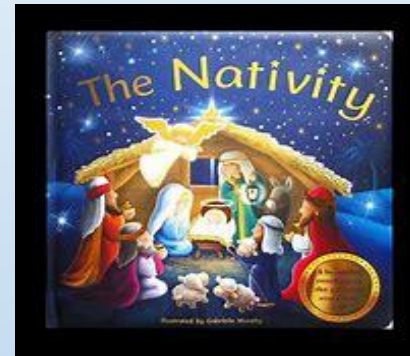
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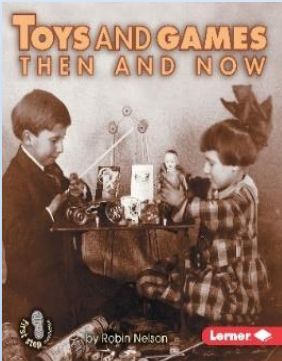
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Resource Hub

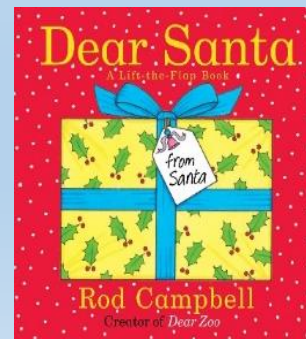


Non-Fiction



Christmas

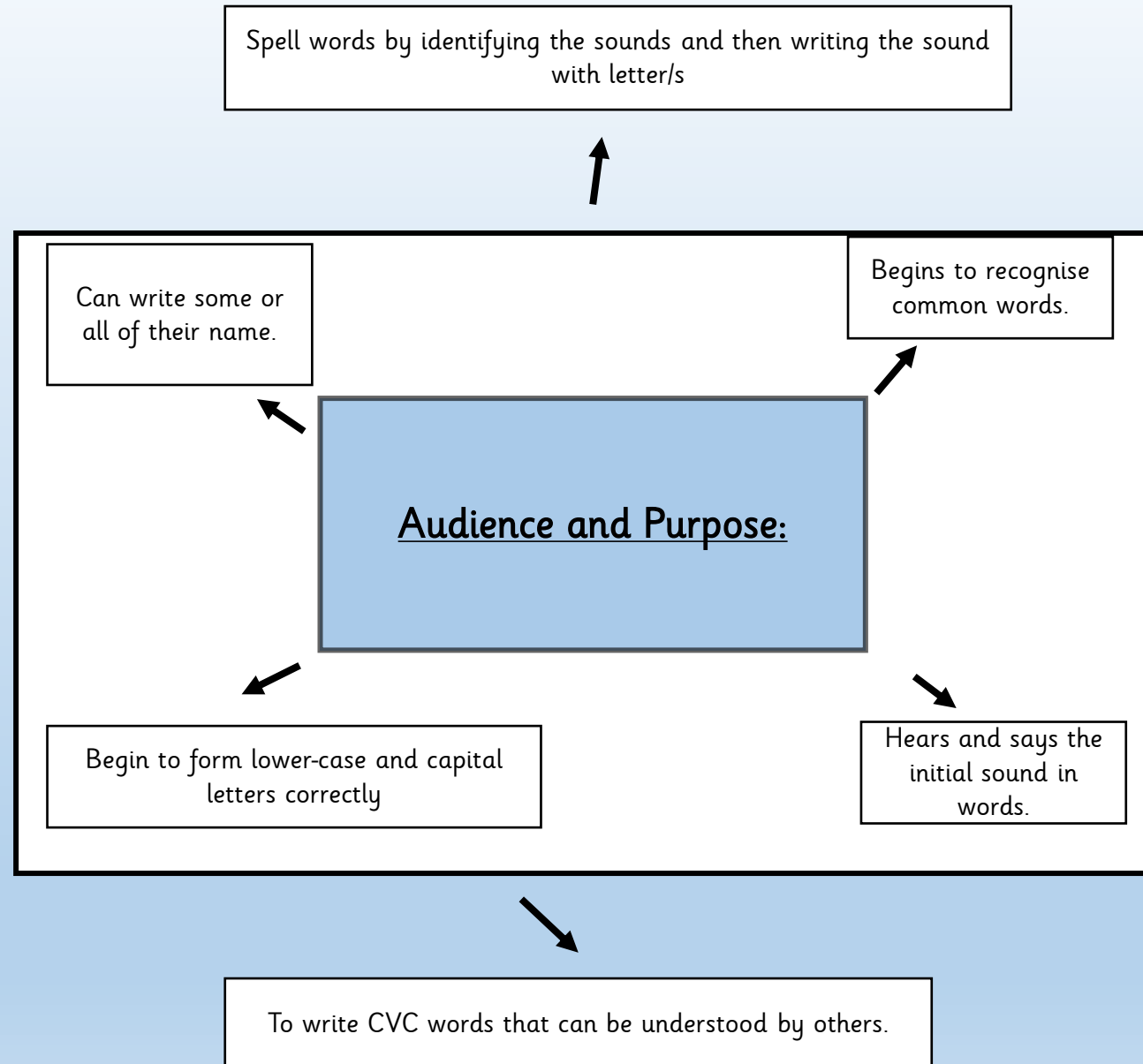
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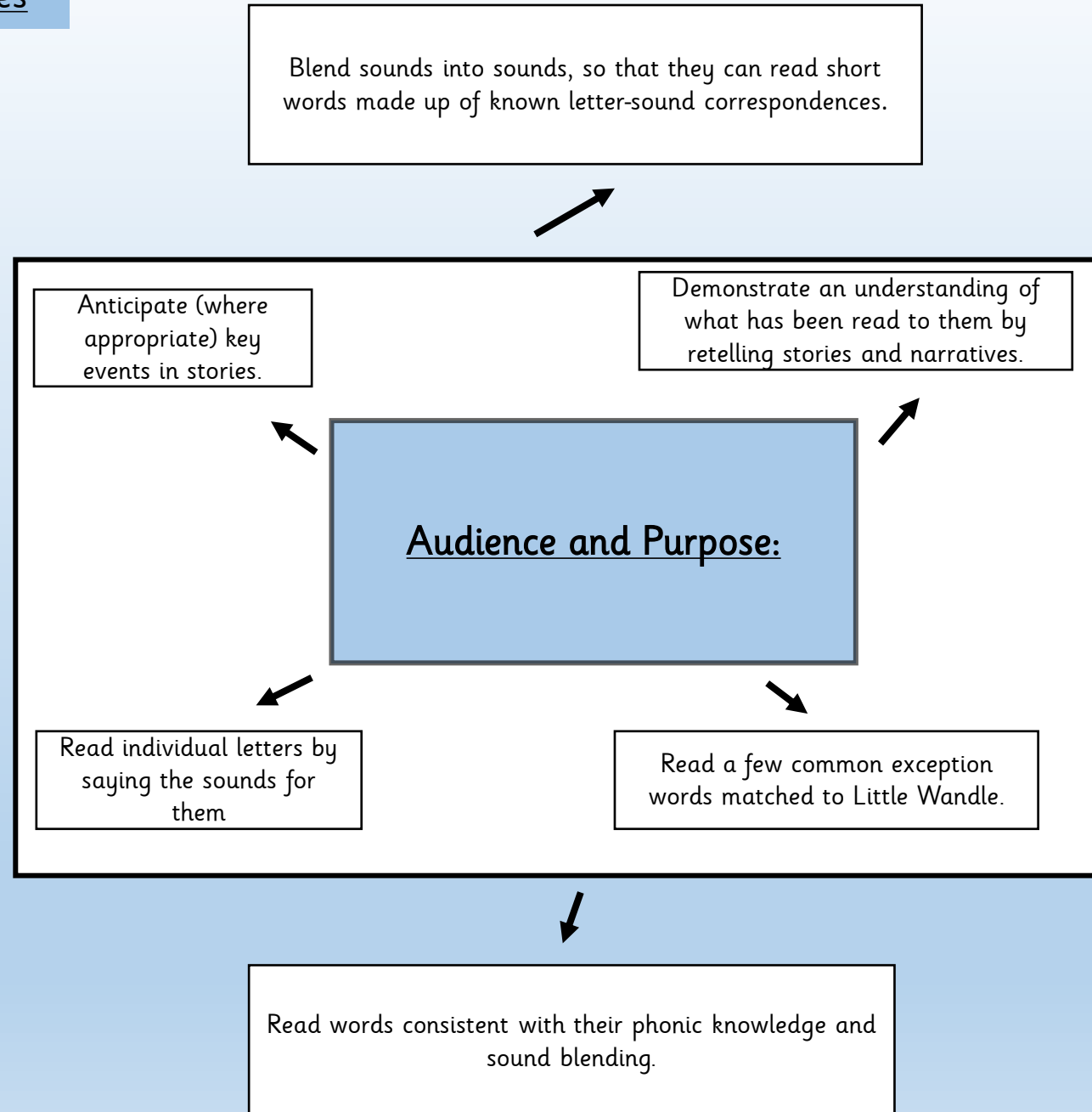
Rhymes and Songs

In a Rocket  
Down in Bethlehem  
Away in a manger  
Jingle Bells  
When Santa got stuck  
up the chimney

## Writing Features



## Reading Features





1. Read the 'Sparks in the Sky' story and write words about bonfire night.

2. Design an Anti-bullying poster.

3. Read 'Whatever Next'.  
Where has baby bear been?  
(in the box, on the bed,  
on the mat)

Every week in our have a go books we will practise our letter formation and write CVC words, phase 2 sounds, and tricky words.

**In Word Wise, we  
will focus on letter  
formation and  
retelling stories.**

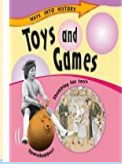
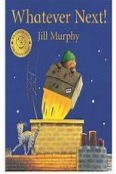
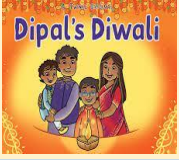


4. Read A Christmas Carol and Nativity stories. Spell words using new digraphs learnt.

5. Write a letter to Santa

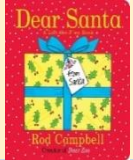
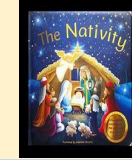
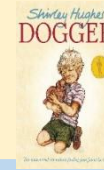
6. Make a class 'Dear Santa' lift the flap book.

7. Write inserts for Christmas Cards.



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I know some different celebrations and can say which is my favourite and why.

I know how Hindus celebrate Diwali. I know how Christians celebrate Christmas.

I know how to stay safe when celebrating Bonfire night.

I know the main characters in the Nativity story. I can retell the Nativity story.

### Rangoli pattern



### Poppy



### Bonfire Night



### Vocabulary

Diwali	A Hindu celebration of light. A festival to remember the story of Rama and Sita.
Rangoli pattern	A type of art that started in India. It is made of coloured patterns.
Bonfire Night	This takes place on the 5 <sup>th</sup> November every year. It remembers when Guy Fawkes and his friends tried to blow up the Houses of Parliament.
Remembrance Day	A day to remember the soldiers who died while serving for their country.
Christmas	A Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus. Christmas day is celebrated on 25 <sup>th</sup> December.
Birthdays	The anniversary of a day a person was born..

### Christmas



### Birthdays



### The Nativity Story





## Let's quiz



'Let's quiz' is an exciting new game we have launched for the children. At the end of every topic they will take part in a fun quiz all about what they have learnt over the half-term. You can help your child to succeed and remember what they have learnt by talking about the questions together at home.

Research says that when children repeatedly return to previously learnt information, they are more likely to 'Know and Remember More' in the long term.

1. Can you name 3 celebrations?
2. What is your favourite celebration and why?
3. Can you name 3 things you need to do to stay safe when watching fireworks?
4. Who do we remember on Remembrance Day?
5. Who are the main characters in the Nativity story?
6. Can you retell the Nativity story?
7. What is bullying?
8. Where does light come from?
9. How do Hindu's celebrate Diwali?
10. How do Christians celebrate Christmas?