Enterprising, creative contributors ...

Learn and perform songs and dances from different celebrations (e.g., Diwali dance, Christmas carols, Bonfire Night rhymes, African music).

Study Kenyan art linked to Handa's Surprise and create fruit-inspired images digitally.

Create Rangoli patterns, firework art, and Christmas crafts.

Explore different celebrations through the five senses.

...who give of their energy so that others benefit.

Healthy, confident individuals ...

Food tasting session (fruit from Handa's Surprise).

Have a "My Special Day" where each learner shares how their family celebrates birthdays, achievements, or milestones, boosting self-esteem.

Celebrate each learners individuality and sense of belonging.

Role play celebrations (weddings, birthdays, Diwali, Bonfire Night)

...who have secure values and are establishing their spiritual and ethical beliefs.



Big ideas & hooks ...

Food tasting based on the fruit in Handa's Basket

- Recreate a Diwali Celebration
- Learners bring in a photo of their own personal celebration
 - Host class celebration

Science & Technology

Health & Wellbeing

Maths & Numeracy

How Do We Celebrate?



Festivals & Celebrations

Text drivers ...

- Handa's Surprise
- The Christmas story
- Ghanaian Goldilocks
- Holiday! Celebration days around the world
- Celebrations around the world (Katy Halford)

Ethical, informed citizens ...

Compare our own celebrations to others around the world.

Explore why people celebrate different events (religious, cultural, historical).

Research and describe different celebrations around the world.

Show respect and appreciation for the different ways people celebrate around the world, understanding that traditions and beliefs may be different from my own.

...who are knowledgeable about their culture, community, society and world, now and in the past; show their commitment to the sustainability of the planet.

Ambitious, capable learners ...

Discuss friendship, sharing and kindness in celebrations (e.g., gift giving, sense of community).

Use digital tools to create posters, invitations, or fact files about celebrations.

Collect data on class birthdays and favourite celebrations and create a bar chart).

Write recounts of personal celebrations (birthday, Christmas, etc).

Sequence the story of Handa's Surprise and retell it. ...who can explain the ideas and concepts they are learning about.

