



Knowledge Organiser

Early Years

Advent/Christmas – Loving

Topic 3: Birthday

Key Words	
Word	Definition
birthday	The day in each year which is the same date as the one on which you were born.
waiting	Means delaying or preparing for something until you are ready.
wreath	An arrangement of flowers and leaves, especially in the shape of a circle.
celebrate	To show a day or an event is important you doing something special.
Christmas	The day Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus.
Advent	The four weeks before Christmas.
Jesus	The son of God.
Mary	The mother of Jesus.
Joseph	The man who brought up Jesus as his son.
swaddling clothes	To wrap up a baby tightly in a piece of cloth.
manger	A box that cows and horses eat from.
crib	A small bed for a baby.
shepherds	People who look after sheep.
wise men	Men who studies the stars.

Big Question

Why do we celebrate Birthdays?

My first thoughts:

Scripture

Luke 2: 8-20 - *God's Story 2* page 59
 Luke 2: 4-7 *God's Story 2* page 58
God's Story 1 pages 24-25, 26-27
 (teachers' notes pages 46-47)
 Matthew 2: 1-12 - *God's Story 2* page 60

What will I learn?

- To begin to **talk about** their own feelings as they wait for a birthday.
- To begin to **talk about** their own experience of celebrating a birthday.
- To begin to **wonder** at the joy of birthdays.
- To **begin to recognise** the Christmas story.
- To **begin to recognise** that the Advent Wreath, the crib and other signs indicate the approach of Christmas.
- To **begin to use and develop** a vocabulary of religious words and phrases.