

# Diwali



## Diwali is the Hindu Festival of Lights

- Watch these short videos on Diwali explaining how a little girl prepares for and celebrates the festival: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/lets-celebrate-diwali>
- Follow this link to find instructions on how to make your own salt dough diya lamps at home: <https://www.learningandexploringthroughplay.com/2014/10/salt-dough-diya-lamps.html>
- Talk about the fireworks you may have seen. What colours were they? What noises did they make? Use paint, pencils or craft materials to create your own fireworks artwork.
- Prepare simple traditional food such as samosas. While cooking encourage good safety measures like cutting carefully and hand washing. Talk about the smell of the spices, the sound of the frying. You could share these treats with your family and friends. Discuss whether you like the taste and why.
- Create Rangoli patterns in your garden or on the pavement using chalk. Talk about the shapes and patterns you are creating.
- Use what you have found out to make Happy Diwali cards for family and friends.