



Learn and Grow Together in Christ

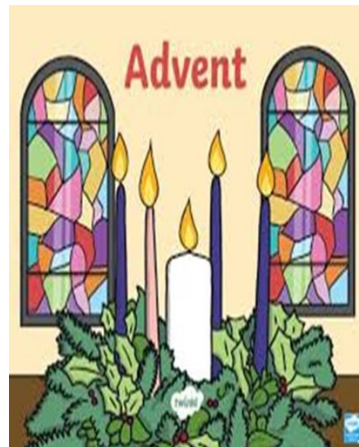
## Reception Topic 3: Birthday Looking forward to Jesus' birthday

### What I should know already

Children will have the experience of celebrating birthdays at home.

### Key Vocabulary

<b>Waiting</b>	To stay in a place until an expected event happens.
<b>Advent Wreath</b>	An Advent wreath helps us to countdown to Christmas.
<b>Christmas</b>	At Christmas, Christians celebrate the gift of Jesus, given by God as a sign of His love.
<b>Advent</b>	Advent marks the start of the Church year and is a time of waiting and preparing for Jesus' birthday and for when he comes again.
<b>Swaddling clothes</b>	Swaddling clothes are a cloth wrapped around a baby to restrict movement.
<b>Manger and Crib</b>	A manger is a trough or open box where food for animals is placed. A crib is a small bed for a baby.
<b>Other vocabulary</b>	Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Wise Men, birthday



### Scripture Isaiah 9:6

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Big Questions**  
Why do we celebrate birthdays?

## Sticky Knowledge

What a birthday is.

Advent is a time of waiting for Jesus' birthday.

Some of the ways birthdays are celebrated.

What people do while they wait for a birthday.

What people do during Advent.

That Christmas is Jesus' birthday.

Something of the story of Jesus' birth