

Prayer mat image



- Muslims pray five times a day
- Muslims are called to pray at dawn, mid-day, afternoon, after sunset, and at night
- To pray -first stand, then bow and touch the ground with your forehead
- Remember to face towards Mecca

About Mehndi



- Have a look at some mehndi patterns
- Start by drawing around your hands on pieces of paper
- Draw your designs using coloured pens or crayons
- Use lots of nature images, symmetry and repeating patterns in your design



Can you see any flowers?

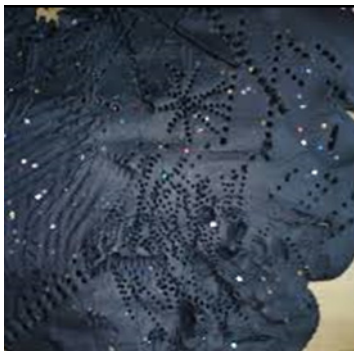


Play dough fireworks

Black play dough can make a great night sky. Try to fill it with bright and colourful fireworks!

You will need:

- A play dough recipe, e.g <http://theimaginationtree.com/2012/04/best-ever-no-cook-play-dough-recipe.html>
- Ribbons
- Bows
- Colourful Pom-poms
- Colourful pipe cleaners
- Gold and silver glitter
- Rolling pin
- Play dough cutters and knives
- Firework images



Allow chn to look at the firework images and then experiment with the craft materials!

Fireworks - more craft ideas

1. Toilet roll fireworks

You will need:

- Toilet roll
- Scissors
- Colourful paint
- Black paper

Method:

1. Cut one side of a toilet roll into strips all the way round
2. Dip into paint
3. Create colourful fireworks



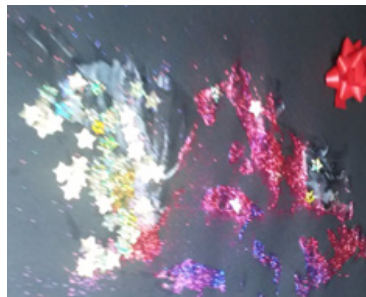
2. Bow and ribbon fireworks

You will need:

- Glitter, bows, ribbons, stars
- Black paper
- Glue & scissors

Method:

1. Use the bows and ribbons and glitter to create swirling, whirling fireworks!



About Muhammad (pbuh)

The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)*

The Story of Ramadan and Eid ul-Fitr

** When a Muslim says or writes the name of the prophet Muhammad, the name is followed by the words 'peace be upon him' (pbuh). As a sign of respect, and for the children of Islamic faith in the class it is suggested that you follow this practice.*

The Islamic faith began long ago in a place called Arabia. There, lived a man called Muhammad (pbuh), who would often spend time in the desert contemplating life. He would get upset by all the terrible things that happened around him and liked to have space to think. One night when he was alone in a cave, in the desert, the angel Jibril (Gabriel) came to him and spoke. He told him of Allah who created everything. The angel Jibril visited Muhammad (pbuh) on 23 occasions in the cave in the desert and each time he gave Muhammad (pbuh) messages from Allah. Muhammad (pbuh) taught other people the messages he had received. He became a prophet (teacher) of Islam. The people who followed these teachings were called Muslims. Later on people wrote down the teachings and this became the Qur'an – which means 'that which is recited'. It is the holy book of Islam and is put on a stand called a ra'el while it is being read. Even very young children learn to recite passages of the Qur'an by heart.

Muhammad (pbuh) taught people that to be a Muslim you must follow the Five Pillars of Islam:

- 1) Faith in one God, Allah.
- 2) Pray five times each day, reciting prayers from the Qur'an and facing Mecca (Salat).
- 3) During Ramadan spend more time in prayer and not eat during daylight hours.
- 4) Be kind to others and give money to charity.
- 5) Try to make a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in their life to celebrate their faith in Allah.

Muhammad (pbuh) lived in a city called Mecca, but soon with his teachings he became famous and travelled around. Some people became his enemies. They did not want people to follow Islam. The angel Jibril warned Muhammad (pbuh) that someone was trying to kill him so he left Mecca to go to Al-Madinah in the middle of the night with his friend. They escaped from the city and hid in a cave outside Al-Madinah. The next day his enemies discovered that he had left Mecca and went searching but they did not find him even though they saw the cave. When Muhammad (pbuh) and his friend emerged from the cave they saw a spider had built its web across the entrance and a tree had grown there.

It was in Al-Madinah that the first Mosque was built by Muhammad (pbuh). It was a place where all Muslims could worship.

During Ramadan Muslims spend time in prayer and fasting during daylight hours. This is in remembrance of the time that the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) spent in the cave receiving the word of God now written down as the Qur'an.

Hanukkah, Diwali and Eid song words

Hanukkah Song

(Sing to the tune of 'The Wheels on the bus')

Hanukkah is here again
here again
here again
Hanukkah is here again
Hip hip hooray

Light the Menorah

1,2,3

1,2,3

1,2,3

Light the Menorah

1,2,3

Hip hip hooray

Lots of fireworks

Bang bang bang

Bang bang bang

Lots of fireworks

Bang bang bang

Hip hip hooray

Potato latkes

Yum yum yum

Yum yum yum

Potato latkes

Yum yum yum

Hip hip hooray

Diwali Song

(Sing to the tune of 'The Wheels on the bus')

Diwali is here again
here again
here again
Diwali is here again
Hip hip hooray

Shining Lanterns
1,2,3
1,2,3
1,2,3
Shining Lanterns
1,2,3
Hip hip hooray

Lots of fireworks
lots of noise
lots of noise
lots of noise
Lots of fireworks
Lots of noise
Hip hip hooray

Lots of sweets for girls and boys
girls and boys
girls and boys
Lots of sweets for girls and boys
Hip hip hooray

Eid Song

(Sing to the tune of 'The Wheels on the bus')

Eid is here again
here again
here again
Eid is here again
Hip hip hooray

Mehndi patterns
1,2,3
1,2,3
1,2,3
Mehndi patterns
1,2,3
Hip hip hooray

Lots of fireworks,
Whiz whiz whiz
Whiz whiz whiz
Lots of fireworks,
Whiz, whiz, whiz
Hip hip hooray

Writing Eid cards
Love from me
Love from me
Love from me
Writing Eid cards
Love from me
Hip hip hooray