Bonfire Night with Nova and Leo

Learning objective: To understand the traditions and historical context of Bonfire Night in the UK by creating a labelled diagram.

Use your pencils and felt-tips to create a detailed scene of a Bonfire Night celebration. Use the word bank to help you label the important parts of your drawing.

Draw: Draw a nighttime scene featuring a large, bright bonfire in the centre. Include Nova the owl sitting in a tree in the background watching the display. Add fireworks bursting in the sky with bright, colourful patterns. In the foreground, draw Leo the lion holding a sparkler safely. Use warm colours like orange, yellow, and red for the fire, and dark blues or purples for the night sky.

Label words: Bonfire · Sparklers · Night sky · Fireworks · Toffee apple · Warm coat · Glowing embers

Steps:

1. Draw Nova the owl perched on a branch looking at the sky. What do you think Nova sees in the night sky? List two things.
2. Leo the lion is feeling cold. Draw him wearing a scarf and a coat. Why is it important to dress warmly for a bonfire in November?
3. Label the flames of your bonfire. What happens to wood when it burns?

4. Why do you think fireworks make loud bangs and bright colours?
5. If you were planning a bonfire party, what is one safety rule you should follow?