Diwali: The Festival of Lights

Let’s celebrate together! Join Ellie the Elephant as we learn about the beautiful Festival of Lights.

- **Diwali is a special festival celebrated by millions of people around the world, symbolising the victory of light over darkness.**
- **People decorate their homes with small oil lamps called 'diyas' to welcome happiness and goodness.**
- **Families often wear new, bright clothes to celebrate the start of a fresh, happy year.**
- **Delicious sweets and treats are shared with friends and neighbours during the five days of the festival.**
- **Many people enjoy watching fireworks to mark the festive celebration in the night sky.**

> *Did you know? Did you know? During Diwali, families often create beautiful patterns on the floor near their front doors using colourful sand, rice, or flower petals. These patterns are called Rangoli!*

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