The star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Matthew 2:9-11 (NLT)

A special star guided the Wise Men to Jesus.

Draw a picture of the most beautiful star you can imagine.













Friends and family often give new babies a present after they are born. Did you get any special presents when you were born? What does this special present tell us about you or your family?

Draw a picture of present that might be given to a new baby.



When the Wise Men went to visit Jesus, they gave him gold, frankincense and myrrh. Each gift was a special symbol that tells us something about Jesus.



Gold

is precious and it was often given as a gift to kings. The Wise Men gave Jesus gold to symbolise that Jesus was the 'King of Kings'.



Frankincense

was an expensive incense that was often used when people worshipped God.



Myrrh

was a spice that was rubbed on dead bodies to make them smell nice. This gift symbolises death and was given to Jesus to represent his death on the cross.

Below is a picture of some Wise Men holding gold, frankincense and Myrrh. **Draw Mary, Joseph and Jesus next to the Wise Men.**



Colour the face below that best represents how you would feel if you were Mary or Joseph and strangers came to give your new baby gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

