

## **Term 4: Christmas Celebrations**

This session assists students to explore the Christian perspective of Christmas. As with the Easter session, it provides the context of a loving God and people's varied responses to God, resulting in Jesus coming to earth. The events of the traditional Christmas as outlined in the Bible (Mary, Joseph, angels, manger in Bethlehem, shepherds, Magi) are unpacked through a range of interactive stations, with discussion encouraged. The session concludes by linking the baby Jesus to the Easter Jesus and to God's promised plan of everlasting friendship. The closing discussion, questions or song focus on Christmas being the Christian celebration for Jesus' birth, God's values for humanity, and God's plan for all people through Jesus.