MAKE A CHRISTINGLE

You will need: paper plate, labels, orange, sharp knife, sticky red tape, silver foil, candle, cocktail sticks, small sweets.

1. Stick labels onto your paper plate as shown.
2. Ask an adult to cut a small cross in the top of the orange and slice a small piece off the bottom to make it flat.
3. Stick your red tape round the widest part of the orange.
4. Now place the orange in the middle of the plate.
5. Wrap the bottom of the candle in foil and place it in the top of the orange.
6. Thread your sweets and/or dried fruits onto 4 cocktail sticks and stick them into the orange. Be careful because the sticks are sharp!
7. Light the candle (at home!)

Christingle services are held in many churches during Advent. The idea was introduced in 1747 in a church in Germany and has been used in England since 1968.

Create one or more Nativity scenes using Minecraft

Scene 1 - Mary visited by Angel Gabriel
The Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary and told her she had been chosen to be the mother of Jesus.

Scene 2 - Journey to Bethlehem
Joseph and Mary had to travel to Bethlehem because a census was being taken and they had to register their names.

Scene 3 - Jesus was born
Jesus was born in a stable because all the better places to stay were full.

Scene 4 - A host (loads!) of angels appeared to the shepherds to tell them that Jesus had been born and urging them to go and visit him.

Scene 5 - Three wise men visited Jesus and brought gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh.
Gold is precious and reminds us that Jesus is King.
Frankincense has healing properties and reminds us that Jesus is God. He heals and forgives.
Myrrh was a spice was used to anoint people who had died. This reminds us that Jesus came to die for us.