

## Godmanchester Community Academy

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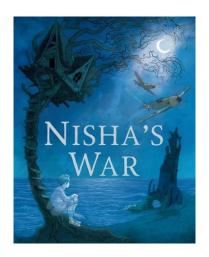
#### Non Fiction:



# The Big Book of Festivals by Joan-Maree Hargreaves and Marita Bullock

Covering all the key festivals taught in KS1 and KS2, including Christmas, Diwali, Eid, Easter, Hanukkah, and Holi, this hardback also introduces children to Anastenaria, Dia De Muertos, Gelede, La Tomatina, Thorrablot and Whirling Dervishes. With vibrant watercolour illustrations and precise bursts of detail, culture and history, this is a fantastic and beautifully illustrated non-fiction resource for primary school libraries. A fascinating read, and highly recommended for KS2.

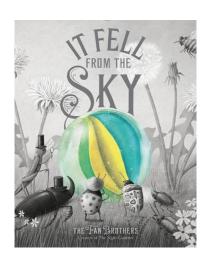
#### Fiction:



#### Nisha's War by Dan Smith

This story follows Nisha and her mother in 1942 as they flee Malaya to live with family in England. Life is very different in the north on a cold windswept clifftop house. At first, Nisha finds the clash between her culture and English life difficult to grasp until she meets a mysterious boy who is not what he seems. This atmospheric story is ideal to teach as a class reader in years five or six. Full of evocative descriptions and well-drawn characters, Nisha's war is also a good novel to spark creative writing ideas, and a great story to compare and contrast with Carrie's War by Nina Bawden.

### Picture book:



#### It Fell From The Sky by Eric Fan & Terry Fan

When a mysterious object lands on the grass, none of the insects are sure what it is. The ladybird knows what he saw, the Inchworm saw it too and the Luna Moth also has ideas. All agree it is a sight to behold. But when Spider decides to turn it into an attraction and charge money to see it, everything changes. With themes of community, fairness, ownership, sharing and commercialism, this is a great story to read to KS1 pupils, or discuss in PSHE lessons with KS2 children.