



## **Nursery Rhyme Nativity**

Angel Gabriel to Mary, to Joseph, to the Shepherds (repetition is great for little ones!)

To the tune of My Fair Lady

*“I have come with special news, special news, special news  
I have come with special news, my fair lady/my fair  
Joseph/my fair Shepherds*

*You/Mary will have/has had a baby boy, baby boy, baby boy  
etc*

*He will be the Son of God, Son of God, Son of God etc”*

## **Going to Bethlehem**

*“To the tune of ‘Keel Row’*

*We must go to Bethlehem, to Bethlehem, to Bethelhem.  
We must go to Bethlehem, to Bethlehem we’ll go”*

Also you could do:

*“Horse/Donkey, Horse/Donkey don’t you trot,  
Just let your hooves go clickety, clop,  
Wheels go round and your tail goes swish,  
Giddy up your Bethlehem bound”*



### **Knocking at the Inns**

*“To the tune of Oranges and Lemons  
Have you any room please, in your inn, Joseph said  
No go away, we don’t have any beds  
(Repeat until you get to the stable!)”*

### **At the manger**

*To the tune of See Saw Marjory Door  
“See saw, creep to the door  
Jesus was born in a manger  
He is asleep, snuggled down in the hay,  
We’re happy because it’s his birthday”*

### **Shepherds**

*To the tune of Sing a Song of Sixpence  
“Sing a song of Shepherds  
Looking after sheep  
Sing a song of shepherds  
Looking after sheep  
Sing a song of shepherds  
As Angels fill the sky  
They sang a song of love and joy  
For every girl and boy”*



### **Shepherds visiting baby Jesus**

To the tune of Mary, Mary, quite contrary

*“Mary, Mary, mother of Jesus  
Please may we see the babe  
The angels told us where to come  
In a manger He is laid”*

### **Wise Men following the star**

To the tune of Twinkle, twinkle little star

*“Twinkle, twinkle shining star  
Wise Men follow from afar  
Travelling with their gifts to bring  
For they knew He was the King  
Twinkle, twinkle shining star  
Wise Men follow from afar”*

Or just adapt Twinkle twinkle little star, to Twinkle, twinkle great big star

Or to the tune of Hot Cross Buns

*“Three wise men,  
Three wise men,  
Watched the star and saw it stop at Bethlehem.  
We can see the bright star  
Just as well as them  
It is shining brightly over Bethlehem”*



If you have the words printed out for the staff, and even send the words in ahead of time, they might practise the songs with them... then it gets imbedded in the children's memory, and gives the staff a way of telling the story....