

Communication & Language

Nursery

Describing words for firework sounds
Why do people get married? What happens at a wedding?
What is celebrated at Hanukah? How is it celebrated?
Retelling stories
To join in with repeated words in stories

Reception

Using full sentences and linking statements to retell past events, special times and celebrations.
Discuss & retell Christmas stories.
Listening during carpet time to answer simple questions about different celebrations.
Respond to 2 step instructions.
Show and Tell– Respond appropriately (Listening & questioning skills)

Physical development

Nursery

Moving like fireworks
Party Games- musical statues (making different freezes)
Wedding Dance – ballroom dancing with partners
Making a Christmas card
Copying letters from their name

Reception

Moving in different ways– different types of fireworks, different heights, speeds and directions.
Party games– negotiating space, balancing (musical statues)
Wedding dances.
Beginning to form recognisable letters.

Health & Self Care

Accessing areas safely.
Toileting .
Healthy eating.
Staying safe on bonfire night.
Dressing and undressing.

PSED (Circle Time)

Nursery

Keeping safe on Bonfire Night
Performing the Christmas Nativity play
Taking turn games
Talking about how we celebrate different events such as a wedding, Christmas and Hanukah

Reception

Sharing & Turn taking
Following the school/class rules
Play cooperatively with a friend/ small group of friends.
Performing in the Christmas nativity

Literacy

Enrichment—Nursery & Reception will have a visit from the library service and to read Christmas themed stories and a visit from a snowman.

Nursery

Draw and label firework noises (initial sound)
Write Wedding card
Writing a Christmas list/letter to Santa Claus
Drawing crosses and stars
Alliteration, Blending and Segmenting and Body Percussion

Reception

Name writing– Both names for children who can write first name.
Wedding invitation/ food menu
Bonfire sound word & caption writing
Christmas wish list
Letter to Santa
Nativity Labelling



Let's Celebrate!

Mathematics

Nursery

Counting to ten
Comparing groups of objects
Matching number and quantity correctly
To use positional language to direct a reindeer around Santa's sleigh

Reception

Counting and ordering to 20 and beyond.
1 more and 1 less presents
3D Shapes
Time– sequencing times of day
Weighing toys in Santa's workshop
Number problems, pattern

Expressive Arts & Design

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Nursery

Create fireworks using a variety of materials Introduce celebration scene in the role-play area
Make a poppy (Remembrance Day)
Christmas card
Christmas calendar
Christmas decoration
Making stars for Hanukah

Reception

Scratch paper firework pictures– different texture
Colour mixing fireworks
Wedding bouquet
Design and wrap a gift
Bauble making
Christmas cards
Poppy craft

Food

Bonfire Toffee & parkin, Mince pies

Understanding the World.

Enrichment—The whole of EYFS will walk to Holy Cross Church for our very own Wedding Ceremony

Nursery

To understand how and why we celebrate bonfire night
Why do we celebrate Christmas? What happens at your house?
Understand how and why we celebrate Christmas
To become aware that different people celebrate different things

Reception

Discuss how ourselves and others celebrate special times (Christmas, Bonfire night, weddings, birthdays...)
What happens in your house? How do people and families celebrate differently? Look at Christmas around the world in different countries and cultures. What is the same/ different?
Weddings in the past– How have things changed?