

Week 1. Bonfire Night

Understanding the World

Pc.30. I can recognise and describe special times or events for family or friends

Pc.40. I enjoy joining in with family customs

Use 'Guy Fawkes' non-fiction book to teach the facts of 'The Gunpowder Plot.' Use Espresso to show videos of how people celebrating Bonfire Night by watching fireworks, using sparklers etc.

Ask 'How does your family celebrate 5th November?'

Week 7. Christmas

PERFORM OUR NATIVITY PLAY

As we rehearse ask deeper questions about the first Christmas story.

How did Mary feel when the angel Gabriel visited her?

What is your favourite part of the **Christmas story**? Why?

What present would you give to baby Jesus? Why?

Week 6. Christmas

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Focus on our Chatsworth visit. Discuss the nativity play we saw in the barn. Can the children recall the story?

ASSESSMENT IS ONGOING (THROUGH OBSERVATIONS)

Week 2 . Remembrance Day

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Use Espresso to show videos which explain what Remembrance Day is about. Focus on the poppy. Paint pictures for a display.

Ask 'Why do people wear poppies in November?'

Weeks 3 and 4. Weddings

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Focus on marriage. (Use wedding DVD, props, such as a wedding dress, veil, invitations, photo album) Turn the role play area into 'Tankersley St. Peter's Church.' Role- play a wedding service. Ask 'Why do you think 2 people should get married?'

Week 5. Birthdays and Advent

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Focus on birthday celebrations. Talk about Christmas Day being Jesus' birthday and Advent being the count down to the special day.

