Physical Development:

- Christmas dancing for parties and concerts.
- Action songs linked to Halloween, Bonfire night and Christmas.
- Activities in the outdoor space to promote control, co-ordination and negotiating space.
- Ring games outside and in group time.

Understanding the World:

- Stories and activities about Halloween, Bonfire night and Christmas.
- Investigate other festivals and celebrations e.g.
 —Diwali.
- Join in with a variety of activities to promote a range of festivals and celebrations.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

- Take part in the Christmas concert and Christmas sing along.
- Join in with Halloween, Bonfire night and Christmas celebrations.
- Understanding the importance of sharing and giving.
- Variety of circle games and group time activities.

Mathematics:

- Sharing out party food. Setting the table, pouring out drinks.
- Number recognition to 5.and then 10.
- Counting decorations, snowmen, stars etc.
- Naming shapes and colours..

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<u>Literacy</u>

- Writing letters to Santa Claus.
- Writing lists of presents, party food etc.
- Making invitations.
- Reading a range of stories about celebrations.
- Phase 1 phonic activities.

Communication and Language

- Role-play—Santa's workshop / Christmas homes.
- Role-play—wizards workshop.
- Speaking aloud to an audience in the concert.
- Singing a range of songs linked to celebrations.
- Speaking to a familiar people during key group times.

Expressive Arts and Design:

- Make spooky pictures, Halloween cards, string skeletons etc.
- Make Bonfire night paintings and chalk pictures.
- Make calendars, cards, tree decorations, snowmen and Christmas crafts.