

Theme: 'Light up the World'

Next week: Christmas Pt 2

This week I have been

- Doing phonics assessments
- Singing 'Hush there's a Baby', '12 Days of Christmas', 'Jingle Bells', 'Rudolph the Red nosed Reindeer', 'I'm a Dancing Christmas Tree'
- Singing with Ms Killick on Friday morning
- Listening to books - 'Nativity', 'Eight Candles to Light', 'What a Din', 'It's the Bear', 'Stick Man'
- Learning about Hannukah
- Making doughnuts, because these are eaten during Hannukah. Using scales to measure and vocabulary heavy, light, equal, balancing
- Playing a game with a dreidel, using coins - the dreidel is a spinner and has 4 symbols meaning 'put 1 coin in the pot', 'do nothing', 'win all the coins in the pot', 'win half the coins in the pot' (the children loved playing this game - great for maths)
- Making a Christmas card
- Having a visit from Father Christmas - and then playing with our new clever fingers resources

In practise time I have been able to choose

- Class Library
- IWB - poissonrouge
- Creative table - various
- Role play - Christmas house inside, cafe and mud kitchen outside
- Outdoor play - basketball, catch
- Maths - playing cards
- Clever fingers activities - spinners
- Mark making table - reading words and captions
- Book corner
- Playdough - green with dice, counters, numbers
- Treasure table - shiny things, including a dark den under the table with torches
- Construction area
- Small world toys
- Music area - CD player playing party music, ribbons

You can help me

- See if you can retell the story of the first Christmas
- Write a list of some of the toys that Father Christmas might have on his sleigh (parents - don't worry about how your child spells a word, just let them have a go)
- Have a lovely Christmas and don't forget to be helpful!