

Big Idea: Winter and Christmas

What a busy couple of weeks we have had in the lead up to the Christmas holidays. We have practised and performed our Nativity which was the highlight of our Christmas Big Idea; sparking exploring and learning ideas such as making a your own small world Nativity show with our mini mes complete with paper costumes and block play stage! We have retold the story using story spoons, drawn story maps as well as thinking about other Christmas traditions such as decorating our role play area for Christmas, making decorations in the workshop, building Santa's sleigh in construction and painting Winter forests in the creative area. We have all had such fun and we would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas!

New Year's Big Idea and Big Challenge

Our new Big Idea will be fairies. We will be looking at stories with fairies in and imagining what life would be like as a fairy hunter! We will use fairies as a stimulus for writing and also look at things associated with fairies e.g. toadstools, butterflies and all things magical! Why not design and make your own fairy garden? You could draw, paint or even make one out of things from the garden! Maybe you know some stories with magical toadstools, butterflies or fairies in already? If not, you could make up your own! Why not have a go at making some puppets and make your own fairy show? You could go on a walk and see if you can spot any toadstools or clues that fairies might be about - don't forget to take something to write down or draw what you find! I wonder how many mushrooms you can find with all the wet weather we've been having lately? Have fun exploring and learning!

