

# The Garden Classroom

Autumn 2 2018

## Around the World in 80 Days

Our topic this half term enabled us to learn about the world we live in. Some areas of learning we covered included the continents and oceans of the world, celebrations such as Bonfire Night, Diwali and Christmas, buildings around the world and transport. The children particularly enjoyed learning about Christmas around the world and they used their knowledge to create a wonderful information booklet.



## Pizza Express

We were very lucky and went on a school trip to Pizza Express with our friends from LLPS to enhance our topic 'Around the World'. Our trip enabled the children to learn about Italy, the home of pizza, in a fun and engaging way. We learned about good food, tasted and cooked with fresh ingredients and, best of all, made authentic Italian pizza! Yum!

After our trip, the children wrote thank you letters to Pizza Express, describing their favourite moments of the trip and highlighting things they had learned as a result of the visit!





## The Innkeeper's Breakfast and Christmas in the Garden Classroom!

As soon as we returned to school after the half term break, Nativity play rehearsals were in full swing! This year we chose to perform The Innkeeper's Breakfast - a story of a very grumpy Innkeeper who gets disturbed each time he sits down to eat breakfast!

The children in the Garden Class put on two great shows for all our friends and family - Bravo!



To get ready for Christmas in the Garden Classroom, we enjoyed turning the back of our room into a Winter Wonderland! We made lots of decorations such as

snowflakes, stockings and lanterns, made role play masks, made a fireplace and read lots of Christmas stories.

We had a beautiful Christmas dinner cooked for us by Mrs Charlesworth and spent the rest of the afternoon partying and playing games. While we were having our party we even had a visit from Santa! He talked to us about our Christmas wish lists and how we'd been good over the year - we were all given a special present!





## Christmas Card Exchange

This year we exchanged Christmas cards with a primary school in Osnabruck, Derby's link town, in Germany!

We made our own cards and learned key German phrases to write inside.

Frohe Weihnachten!

## Christingle

On the last Friday we had our Christingle service at Church and we performed one of our songs from our Nativity play.



## Pantomime

To finish a wonderful half term, the children from MMPS and LLPS went on a trip to Derby Arena to see Jack and the Beanstalk! We had a great time (oh yes we did)!

