



Let's Celebrate!

Overview:

This part of the year is a special time to children everywhere. All over Britain and beyond it is a time to celebrate. We wanted to learn about celebrations both familiar and new to us, particularly focussing on how and why we learn. We looked at light festivals such as Hannukah, Divali and Bonfire night and immersed ourselves in multisensory experiences. We were excited to help class 2 to take part in telling the nativity story and sang boldly to entertain the local friendship lunch. We began taking on enterprise roles by making things to sell at our Christmas fair. The FOES people bought us some new equipment to say thank you.

Facilitator Reflection:

The children loved to be immersed in all manner of associated activities, from playing with the dreidel to tasting Indian food and making pretty diva lamps. They are beginning to understand the lifestyles and points of view of others, building empathy. Values of Christmas such as giving and caring were also experienced in thinking about helping others at this time of year.

Pupil Reflection:

I liked eating the food because it is spicy. My diva lamp is awesome, I will give it to my Daddy. I wore a sari, like Jessica, she wears it for Divali and has fun with her family. My Grandad came to watch me in the Christmas play. I liked dressing up and singing. I had to remember when to come on and dance. I made a glass snowflake to sell, Mrs Morris put it in her kiln to melt. Mum bought it for our tree. We can have new toys in our class now.