

The countdown to Christmas is on! We have been busy making decorations for the Christmas tree in Rainbow Hall and enjoyed showing them off at the Winter Market!

In Science this week we have been carrying out an investigation to test whether a material is waterproof. We were trying to help King Charles II improve the buckets to put out the Great Fire by testing which materials absorbed water, which dripped through, and which materials the water sat on top of.



In History we have continued to look at what sources can tell us about what kind of a ruler King Charles II was. We were also able to say which sources were more reliable than others. We have also enjoyed reading *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg and looking at the author's use of descriptive language and imaginative vocabulary. We've recreated the story, using adjectives and similes to give detailed descriptions of settings. It's certainly got us in the Christmas spirit!

In Maths, we have been looking at multiplication, linking it to repeated addition and recalling number facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. We've understood that multiplication is commutative, and have used a variety of equipment and manipulatives to show this.

Coming up...

We will be spending our afternoons next week exploring more about the Christmas story, leading on from our visits to St Barnabas church last week. We will look at why Christians celebrate Christmas and the good news it brings to Christians.

We'll also be applying our knowledge of multiplication to its inverse operation, division. We will be looking at sharing equally, using pictures and equipment to help.

We're also looking forward to Christmas Jumper Day and tucking into our Christmas dinners!

