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## **DECEMBER**



It's the most wonderful time of the year! Gloria Fuertes is getting very excited to celebrate Christmas.

#### **European E Twinning Project**

This month, students are sending letters to our partner school in Bristol, Wick **Primary School. The students** are telling their pen pals all about Christmas - what they like to do during the holidays, and what their favorite Christmas activities are! The students also received letters back from their pen pals all about Guy Fawkes Night in the UK. Students from grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 wrote Christmas letters to send to Bristol, and decorated their letters with lots of color.





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# **E Twinning Letters**





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# Reflection of the week:

"What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas... perhaps... means a little bit more!"

-Dr. Suess (American author), How the Grinch Stole Christmas





## Reflexión de la semana:

"Y si la Navidad?, pensó, no viniera de una tienda, Y si la Navidad... quizás... signifique un poquito más!"

-Dr Suess (autor americano), Como el Grinch Robó la Navidad



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### Dr. Seuss

Theodore Seuss Geisel, known by his pen name as Dr. Seuss, was an American children's author and cartoonist. He is most well-known for writing and illustrating more than 60 books under the name Dr. Seuss. These books include some of the most popular children's books of all times, which sold over 600 million copies and were translated into more than 20 languages at the time of his death, including Horton hears a Who!, The Cat in the Hat, and How the Grinch Stole Christmas!. His books have been widely adapted into 11 television specials, five feature films, four television series, and a Broadway musical. Although he himself never had any children, his work has inspired generations of children around the world, and continues to do so today.





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# <u>Christmas in the United States, and the State of</u> <u>California</u>

Teacher Brittany made a presentation all about Christmas celebrations in the United States and in her home state of California. She showed pictures of Christmas decorations in California like in Candy Cane Lane, a famous street for their decorations! Teacher Brittany also showed the students typical American Christmas traditions, such as hanging stockings over the fireplace, decorating a gingerbread house, and ice skating! Teacher Brittany also talked about some popular Christmas time foods in California like tamales. Finally, Teacher Brittany shared pictures of her family, friends, and pets during Christmas!





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#### **Making Christmas Ornaments**

Teacher Brittany led the students in making a Christmas craft together! Students in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade made their very own Christmas ornament. The students got to color the ornament and decorate it how they like. Then, they cut it out and glued the sides to make a 3D ornament. The students really liked this activit



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## <u>Making Christmas Ornaments</u>





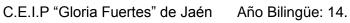
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### **Making Cristmas Cards**

The students also made Christmas cards to give to their friends and family!





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**Classroom Decorations** 

### The teachers made beautiful Christmas decorations on the doors and hallways to their classrooms! How creative!





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More creative Christmas decorations- we are feeling the holiday spirit at Gloria Fuertes!







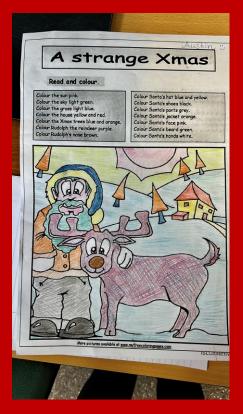
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This month, in recognition of the Christmas holiday, Teacher Austin provided fun and festive activities for all levels.





For the lower levels, Austin and the students worked on a "Strange Christmas" activity. For example, Rudolph was purple, and his nose wasn't red. It was BROWN. The sky was light green, and the sun was pink! In addition to this silly form of jollification, he also worked with the students on Christmas vocabulary, like "candy cane" and "stocking".

For the next levels, Austin and the students wrote letters for Santa to tell him all they want for Christmas this year. They've all been so good and should most certainly be on Santa's "Nice List"!



For the highest levels, Austin created a "Christmas Quiz". He asked them trivia questions about this special time of year. The students participated in teams, and whichever team had the most points won. They learned some new English vocabulary and interesting facts while playing. Did you know Christmas trees were first decorated in the 16th century in GERMANY? Or that a snowflake has 6 sides? Or that KFC is traditionally eaten in Japan at Christmastime? Austin's "Christmas Quiz" was both fun AND educational.



While doing these activities with his students, Austin played Spanish, English, and classical Christmas music; he danced and sang for the students. It was a holly, jolly, merry time!

# Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Bilingual Team at CESP Gloria Fuertes!

