



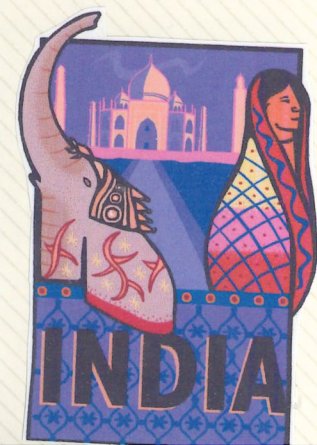
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inspired mess on Friday. Workshop was run Jhoom! which st dance. The draw on a range styles, from clas-

sical Indian to Bhangra with dashes of hip hop, jive and jazz.

The children created their own routine based on storytelling and traditional motifs, including lotus flower, bumblebee, flag and peacock. They then performed to an invited audience of parents who were surprised how energetic it was and how much they enjoyed it!



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ANSTEY Junior School's Beehive Nurture Group were very excited to receive a reply from the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge to a letter the pupils had written telling them about the pumpkins they had grown, named William and Kate.

Last spring The Beehive acquired a planter and keen to produce vegetables of their own they planted lettuce, spring onions, broad beans and pumpkin seeds.

Initially, due to the wet weather, the seeds took a while to germinate, but by the time they returned to school in September there were three pumpkins growing well, on two plants.

The children decided to name them - William, Kate and Harry. However, a short time later Harry withered and died. They continued to nurture William and Kate and just before autumn half term, harvested them and at they weigh-in William weighed a magnificent 11lb and Kate a more delicate 3lb.

The pumpkins were marked, cut and scooped out in preparation to turn them into Hallowe'en lanterns. Crowns were prepared for them and the children were able to admire their 'royal visitors' for a couple of days before using them as a centre piece for their Hallowe'en Tea.

In discussion afterwards, the children thought that the duke and duchess may like to hear about their success and so, with the adults that run The Beehive, they wrote to the Palace giv-



Beehive Nurture Group at Anstey Junior School with their pumpkins William and Kate

ing details and enclosing photos. Last month, much to their delight, they received their reply. It stated that "Their Royal Highnesses were delighted to read that your pumpkins, William and Kate, grew so big but they were very concerned to read that Harry the pumpkin didn't grow at all". A photograph was enclosed for each of the

children and in addition, the letter directed them to the Duke and Duchess's website for children, to a special section called 'Mygrove' which gives lots of information about growing vegetables. The Beehive are to decide what to grow this year - if they choose pumpkins again, they may want to wait until July to settle on a name!

