

Winter wonderland magic

It's now december, so I feel it is acceptable to start building up to christmas. I love this time of year, especially with children. It is watching the children's excitement grow, seeing their faces light up with all the decorations, lights and wonderful things that happen at this time, that makes it so special for me.

On Sunday, as it was the 1st Dec, we thought we would kick start the season by going on a visit to a winter wonderland at 4Kingdoms adventure park and see Santa. 4Kingdoms is a farm with animals and lots of play equipment from go karts, trampolines, mini-golf, slides and climbing frames to soft play.

The Winter Wonderland was really lovely. There were lots for the children to look at, including an enormous giant teddy bear, reindeers, elves and other winter scenes. There were lots of pretty lights which made it quite magical of the children. Once we walked through the winter wonderland, we went in to see Santa. Boo was a bit unsure, as she has developed a thing for people dressed up (hopefully only a passing phase), but she went in and they all told santa what they would like for christmas and were given a present each. They were so excited. Seeing the smiles on their faces, is the best thing in the world.





After our christmas experience was over, we went out to play. Boo got stuck into the sandpit and diggers, while BB drove around on the truck and Pinky played in the little wendy houses of shops, post office, castle and pub etc.



After some independent play, we all had a go on the pedal go karts. The girls were not big enough to ride on their own, so mummy and daddy had to ride too. It was so much fun! We all rode around the

track several times. I crashed into BB as I completely forgot where the break was! Well, I'm used to driving a car with a foot break, not a hand break only (oops!). However, everyone found it hilarious! It was great to get stuck in with the children.



Next, I took the girls ice skating, which they had never done before and I had not done since I was a teenager! I couldn't believe how well they did. They were both off straight away (whilst I was clinging to the side for some time) and by the end they were both jumping and doing spins! Amazing! They didn't stop grinning and giggling throughout. We all loved it.



After our picnic lunch (yes, we had a picnic in December!), we had a climb and jump on the

trampolines. Please excuse the photos, they were taken through the netting.



The whole day was amazing fun for the whole family. The children spent a whole day outside running around, even in December, having basic fun! Mummy and daddy got to join in and have tons of fun too. We saw santa and the wonders of a winter wonderland and spent lots of quality family time together. I cannot tell you how just how good this day was, my children didn't stop smiling, giggling and laughing the whole day, tip they went to bed, exhausted!