

# Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs  
Newsletter 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024



Dear parents and carers,

We have been having a very festive time in school this week. Our very youngest children performed beautifully in their Nativity play, both to the whole school and to family and friends. Their confidence and joy were infectious, and even those who were a little more overwhelmed did a wonderful job in sharing the Christmas story. Well done to all the children and adults involved!

Our Key Stage 2 pupils went to see a performance of the Borrowers at the Hull Truck theatre company. It was great to hear all about how much they enjoyed it up their return. Today school is very colourful, filled with all the children in different Christmas jumpers. Many of them have enjoyed having a school Christmas dinner and are waiting excitedly for the end of the school day to come to the school disco. Thank you to our kitchen staff and also to all of you who will be helping us out tonight. It is very much appreciated.

This week our Advent candle is pink rather than purple and represents Gaudete (joy) Sunday. We reflect on the joy of God's promise of salvation. I wish you a joyful weekend with your families,

Best wishes,  
Mrs Barrs

## Travelling Crib

Our Foundation and Key Stage 1 children are continuing to take home their class travelling cribs. The pack contains a crib, candle, prayer card, Christmas story and a diary, which the children can write and draw in before they return the crib to the school the following day.

It is a special way to reflect on the Christmas story that can be shared with the whole family.

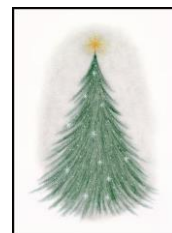
Parents, please continue to support us by returning the crib the following day.

God Bless, Miss Rollinson



## Christmas Craft

Every child in each class will be making a Christmas craft to sell to raise money for a buddy bench for the playground. This has been organised by the school councillors and will happen next week,



## Pupil Voice

What a wonderful week! We have had a trip to the theatre and dancing disco. On Tuesday KS2 went to the theatre and watched The Borrowers, it was an amazing performance for each pupil. KS1 will be going to the theatre next week. On Thursday everyone got to put their Christmas jumpers on and eat Christmas dinner. In the early hours of Thursday night, the disco started with lights, foam, music, sweets food and even more. Teachers, parents and children from St. Mary's were happy to volunteer. We were lucky to have an extra helping hand. A big thank you to everyone who helped with mails, hair, titter and food and especially music. All the children who came had an awesome time and left with a great big smile across their faces.

Jasmine Armah

Class 5/6

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Amended Date** -Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Parties – food will be provided by the school  
KS1 Nativity Play 10am and 2pm Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December (see letter for ticket allocation)  
FU and KS1 Panto visit Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Carol Service at St. Anthony's Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm  
Carols by Candlelight on the playground at 3.15pm on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – All Welcome  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December school closes for the Christmas Break  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025 School re-opens

, **Well done**

**We raised £791.00 during our Christmas Disco and £123.00 for our raffle during the FU Nativity- Thank you all so much for your generosity**

## Woolly Hat Appeal

Our Mini Vinnies are still seeking donations to support our seafarers this Advent. All donations will be carefully packed into 'woolly hats' and distributed with the support of Stella Maris. Please send all donations into school by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. They are hoping for donations of Shampoo, Shower Gel, Toothpaste, shaving cream, tooth brushes, razors, pens, note books, combs and brushes

## Designated Roles

SENCO/Safeguarding Lead – Mr. J Fox

Assistant Head – Mr. J. Guthrie

EYSF Lead – Mrs. J Leach