The children in KS1 put on a wonderful nativity play (above) entitled ‘The Inn Crowd’ over three performances this week. The children sang their hearts out at each show and really enthralled the audience with their vocal talents. It was lovely to see the children acting out the nativity story with such enthusiasm and we say ‘well done’ to all of them. A big thanks of course to all of the adults who worked hard to ensure that the show ran smoothly.

KS1 Christingle—Our EYFS and KS1 children came together in the church on Monday afternoon to celebrate their Christingle service (below). The children all made christingles which were lit to symbolise the Light of Christ coming into

Matthew 1 : 18-24
When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife…”

This Sunday’s Gospel

Children return to school on Monday 6th January 2020.
Thursday 9th Jan—Whole School Mass at 9.30am—Parents welcome
Wednesday 15th Jan—St David Class Worship at 9.10am in the hall—please join us
Wednesday 22nd Jan—St Raphael Class Worship at 9.10am in the hall—please join us
the world this Christmas-time. Well done and thanks to all.

Pantomime— On Wednesday the whole school travelled to the Anvil Theatre to enjoy the production of Aladdin. Everyone had a thoroughly enjoyable time and the children were buzzing with excitement at what was a brilliant show. A special thanks to Mrs Tobin who worked very hard to organise this trip—it wasn’t easy taking 430 children and 50 staff along in one go!

KS2 Carol Service— Last night the church was packed as parents, staff and pupils in KS2 came together to celebrate the annual carol service (above). As always it was a wonderful occasion with everyone singing beautifully (including the staff, above) and it was a great opportunity for all in our community to come together to praise God through song.

Before the service, the Orchestra Club played a medley of carols to entertain early arrivals. The children have been practising faithfully every Tuesday afternoon, and this was their chance to play in public. Well done everyone, beautiful music, very well played!

Thanks to Mr Parry, Mrs Hynes and all for organising this event and for Fr Chris and everyone at the Church for hosting us.

Y5 Carol Singing at Marnel Lodge— Last Friday 13th December a large group of jolly carol singers from Y5 marched to Marnel Lodge Care Home. We sang a medley of traditional carols, with the residents joining in enthusiastically. We chatted to the residents afterwards (above right), and some of us were privileged to meet a lady who was 109 years old! We thoroughly enjoyed our visit, and look forward to returning next year.

Reported by Mrs Hynes

End of term Mass—As always we finished this term as we began it— with Mass in the Church. The children were in fine form singing each carol ‘with gusto’ as we gave thanks for all that we’ve been blessed with this term.

This is my Commandment:

That you love one another as I have loved you

Jn 15:12

As pupils, staff, governors and parents of St Bede’s Catholic Primary School, Our Mission is to live by the values of Jesus

Have a wonderful Christmas

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