

PUPIL POST

December 6th 2020

**The second Sunday of
Advent**

*and the feast of
St Nicholas*



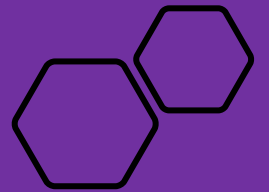
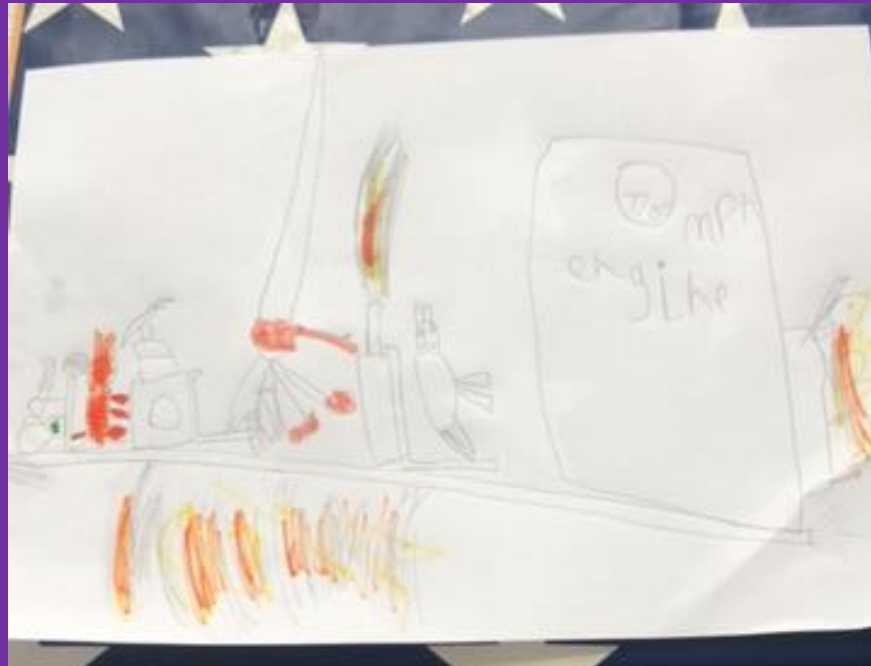


*It was lovely to welcome back our
“Remote learners” this week- and a
what a lot you accomplished at
home!*

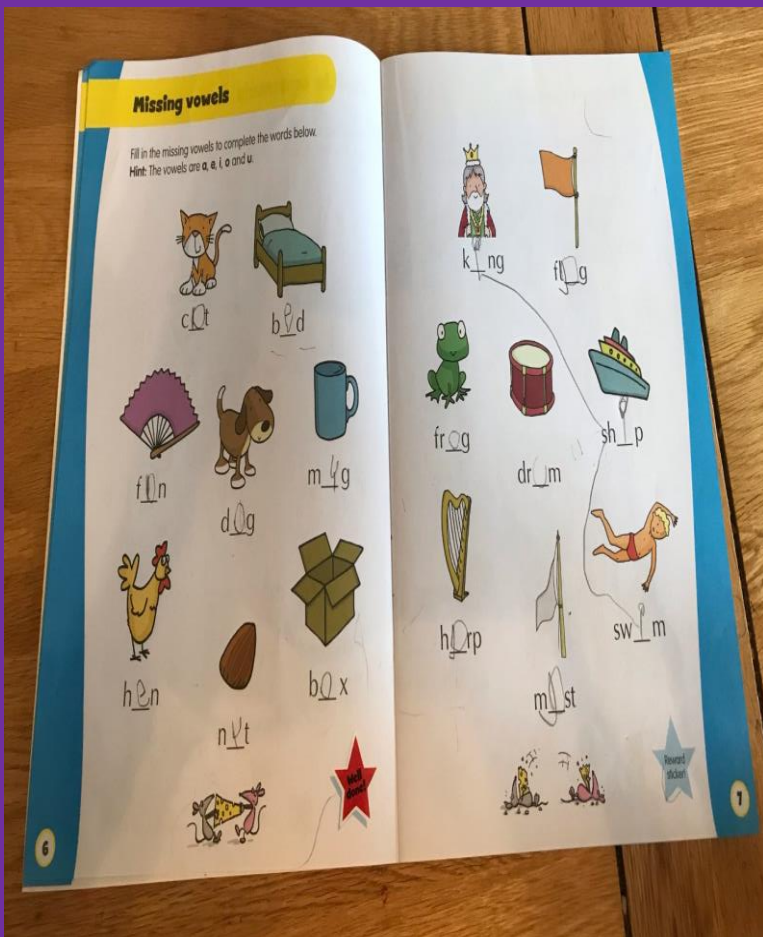
*Your adults were so proud of your
perseverance and resilience.
Thank you so much to all your
parents and teachers who
supported you and worked
together to keep the learning
going.*



Two brothers have been busy making potions for the witch to use in the story they heard the teachers read! One designed a new broom for the witch with a huge engine and the other had fun with his numbers!



Fantastic remote learning in Reception





A GREAT DAY LEARNING AT HOME

After doing some Maths using Blu Tack to add and subtract, this Reception pupil also practised drawing numbers.

Then she watched Mrs Lambert read “Sophie and the New Baby” and decided she wanted to paint a picture of herself as happy. She used string for hair, inspired by one of her school reading books.



Rozalia in Reception made this crib while at home and said:
“This is a house for Jesus not to be cold when he is born”.



Look at the beautiful star created for the tree by this young pupil and her wonderfully designed Advent table.



ON THEIR RETURN there was a great team effort from Year 5T who created a beautiful crib feature stained glass window



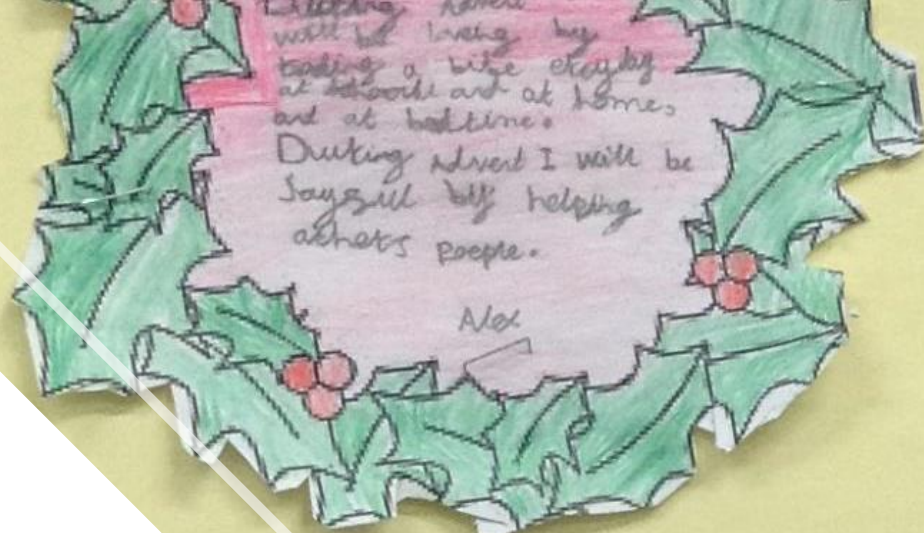
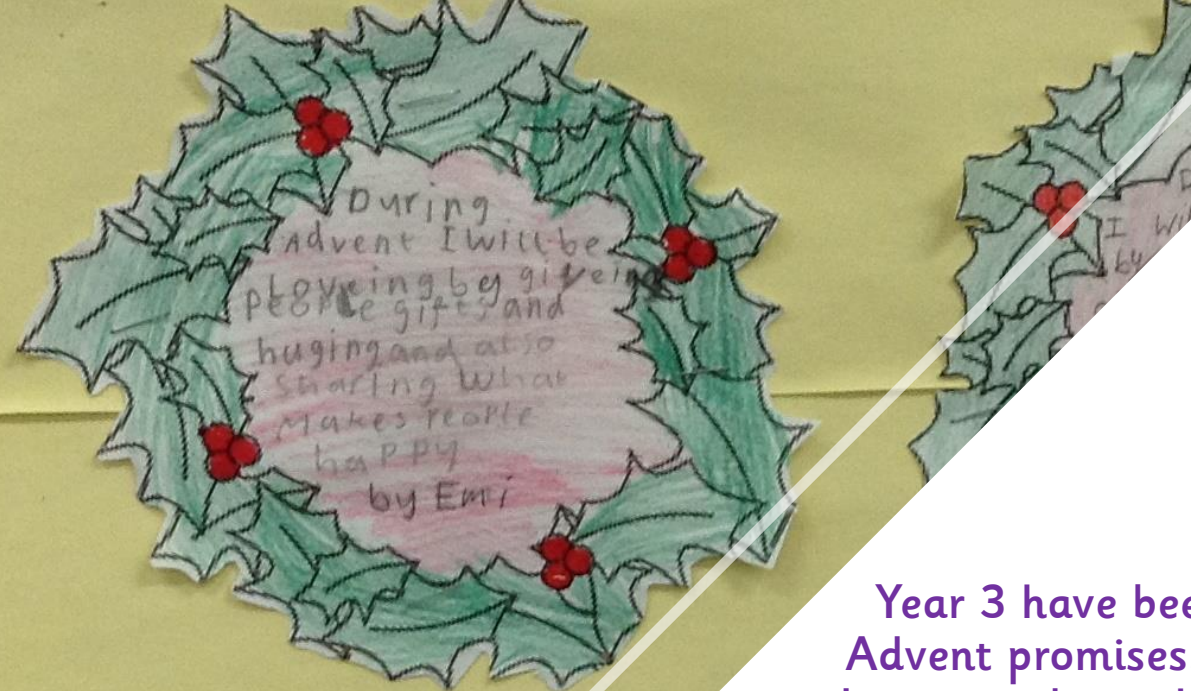


Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,
Blessed art thou amongst women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death,
Amen.

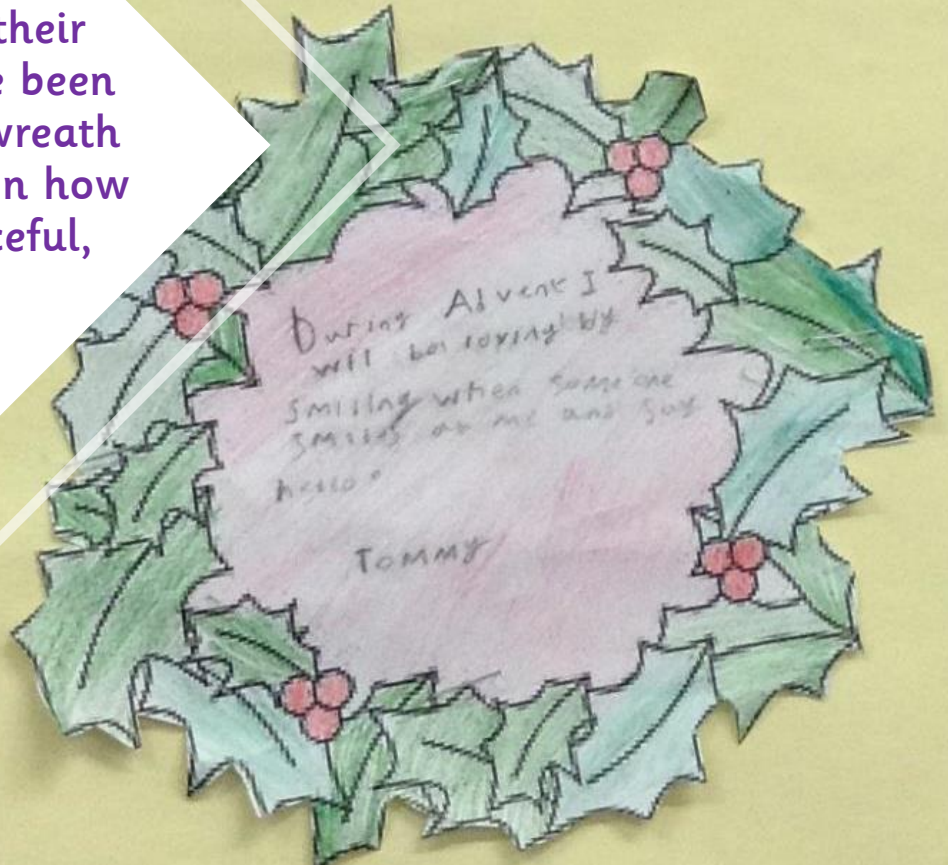
Every day may the joy be yours
In all that I think and do and say
My work and enjoyment,
the hard things and the happy things
Everything.
May your son Jesus,
my friend and brother
Be with me throughout the day
Please help me to work well,
to listen and to pay attention,
Please help me to understand all
that I am being taught.
Amen

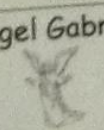



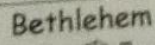
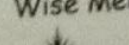


O my God, I've come
to say
Thank you for your
love today.
Thank you for my
family
and all the friends you
give to me.
Guard me through the
day and night
and in the morning
send your light
Amen

Year 1 were really busy after their return making shepherds and sheep, getting ready for the Christmas celebrations



Year 3 have been making their Advent promises. They have been learning about the Advent wreath and focused their promises on how they would be loving, peaceful, hopeful or joyful.



Mary, Mother of God			
Angel Gabriel 	Mary 	Elizabeth 	Mother 
Bethlehem 	Wise Men 	shepherds 	Annunciation 



Elizabeth's house and greeted Elizabeth. "When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby moved within Elizabeth and she was filled with the Holy Spirit" and said in a loud voice, "You are the most blessed of all women, and blessed is the child you will bear!" "Why should this great thing happen to me, that my Lord's mother comes to visit me?" "For as soon as I heard your greeting, the baby within me jumped with gladness." "How happy you are to believe that the Lord's message to you will come true!"

Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus - Visitation

Mary accepted God's will with a thankful heart. Mary teaches us to have faith, to love and to trust God because she believed in God that she can be the most blessed woman.

Year 3 have also been discussing the Visitation, as well as looking more closely at the Hail Mary prayer and where its words come from.

They discussed what Mary teaches them about having faith and trust in God.

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Mary accepted God's will with a thankful heart. Mary teaches us to have faith, to love and to trust God because she believed that Gabriel says to her.

Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus - Visitation

Mary accepted God's will with a thankful heart. Mary teaches us to have faith, to love and to trust God because God knows our future.

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

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what you ask Mary?

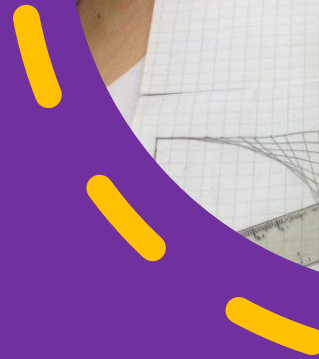
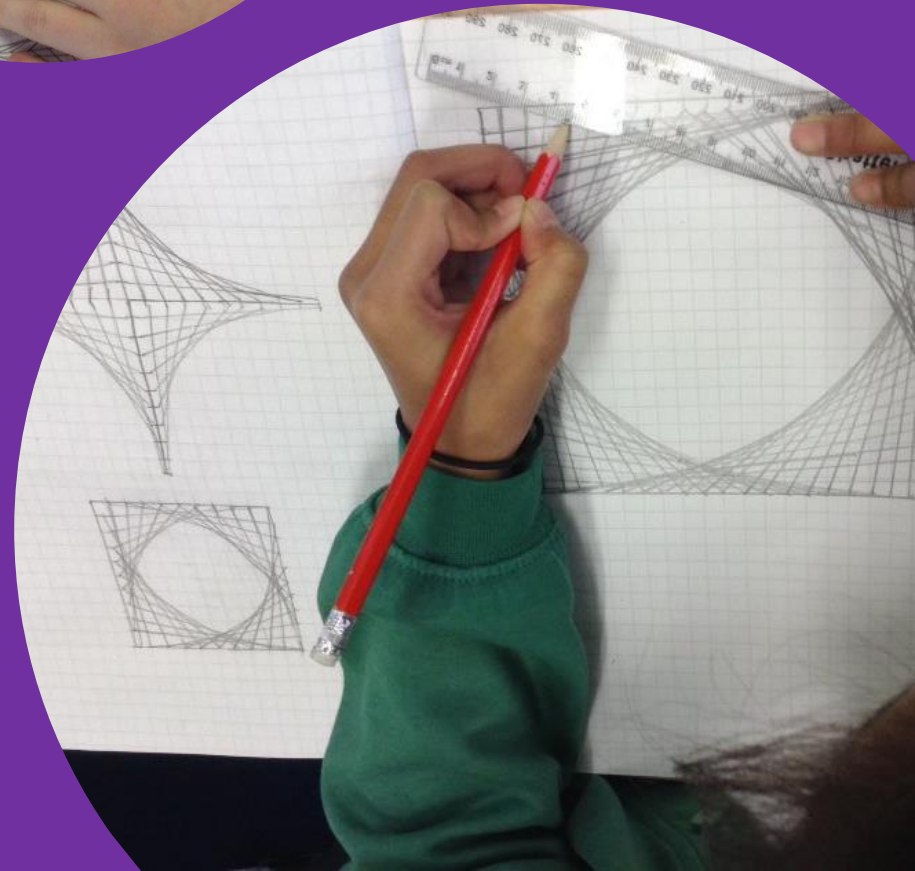
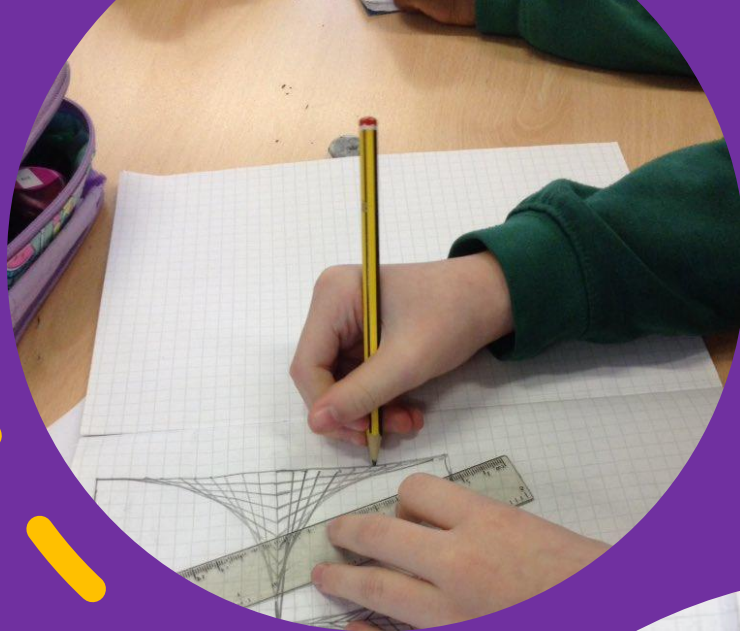
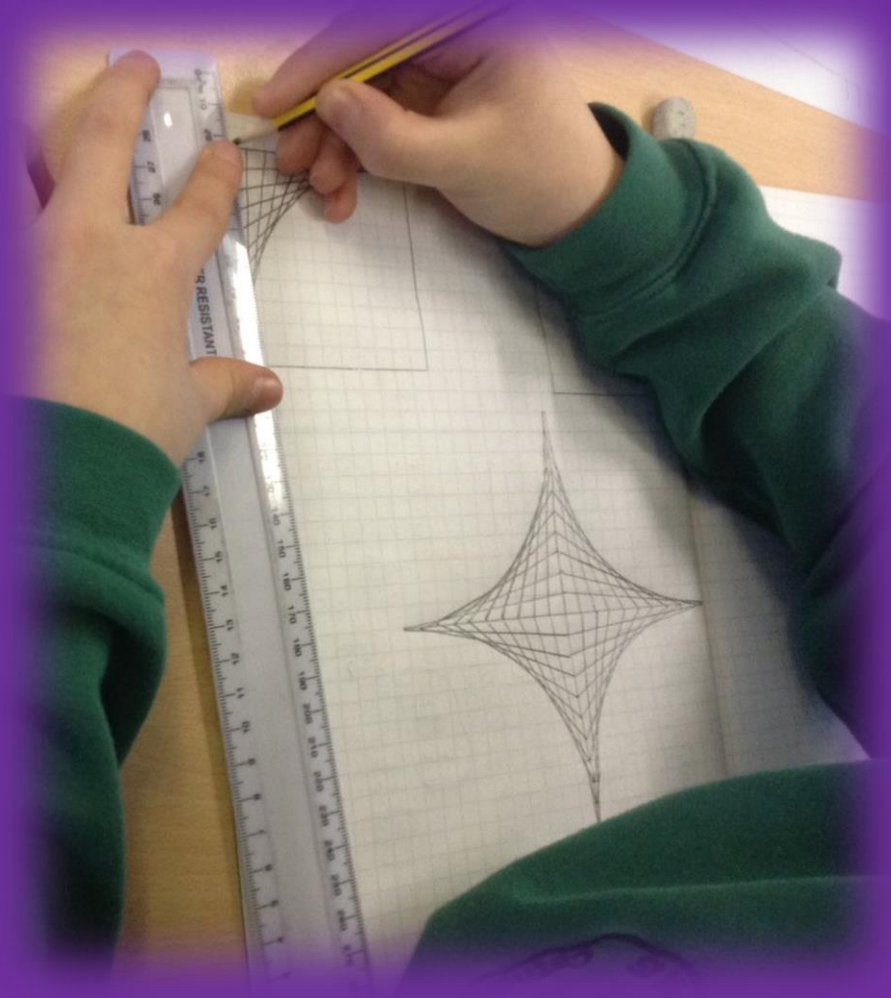
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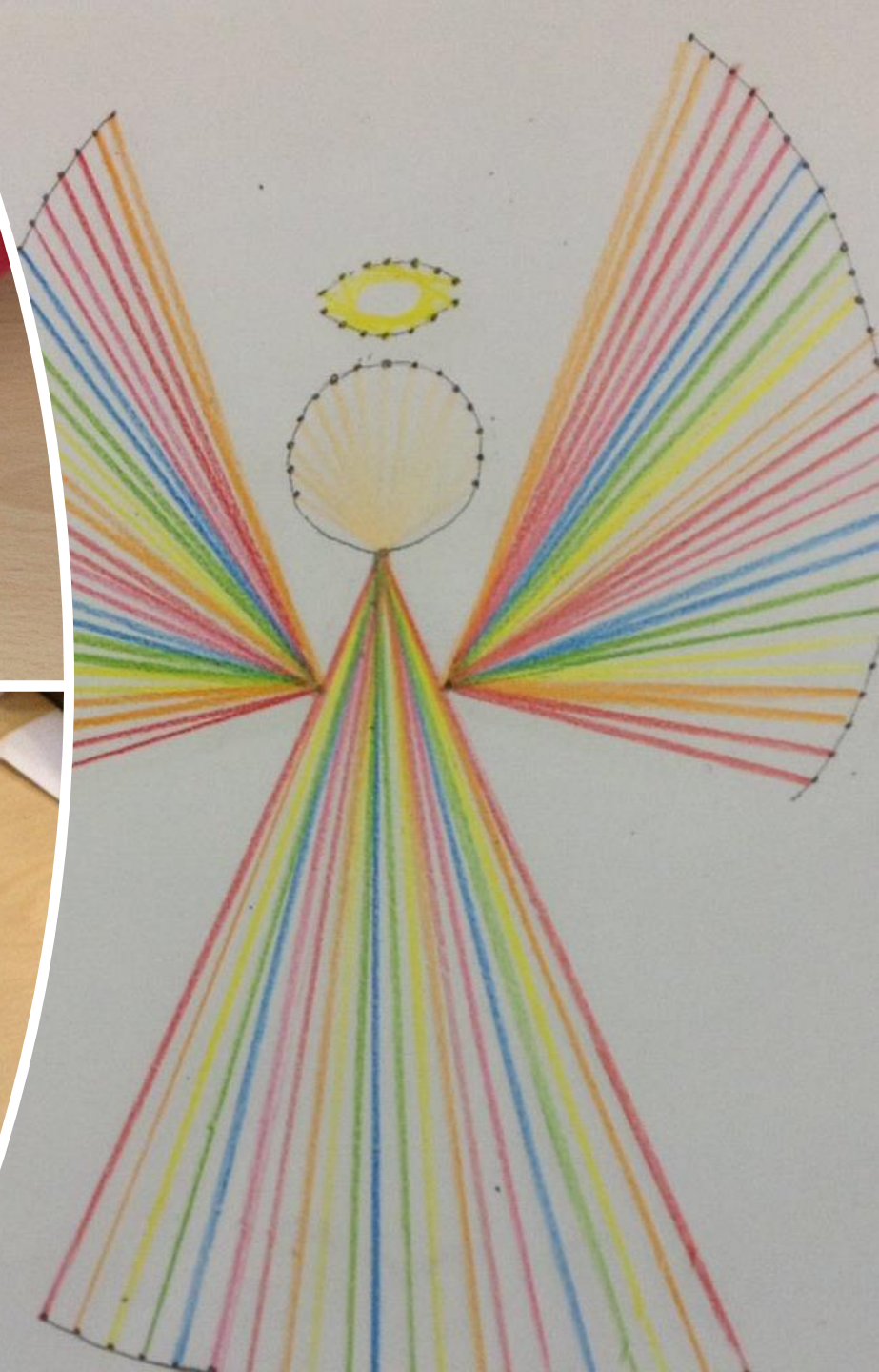
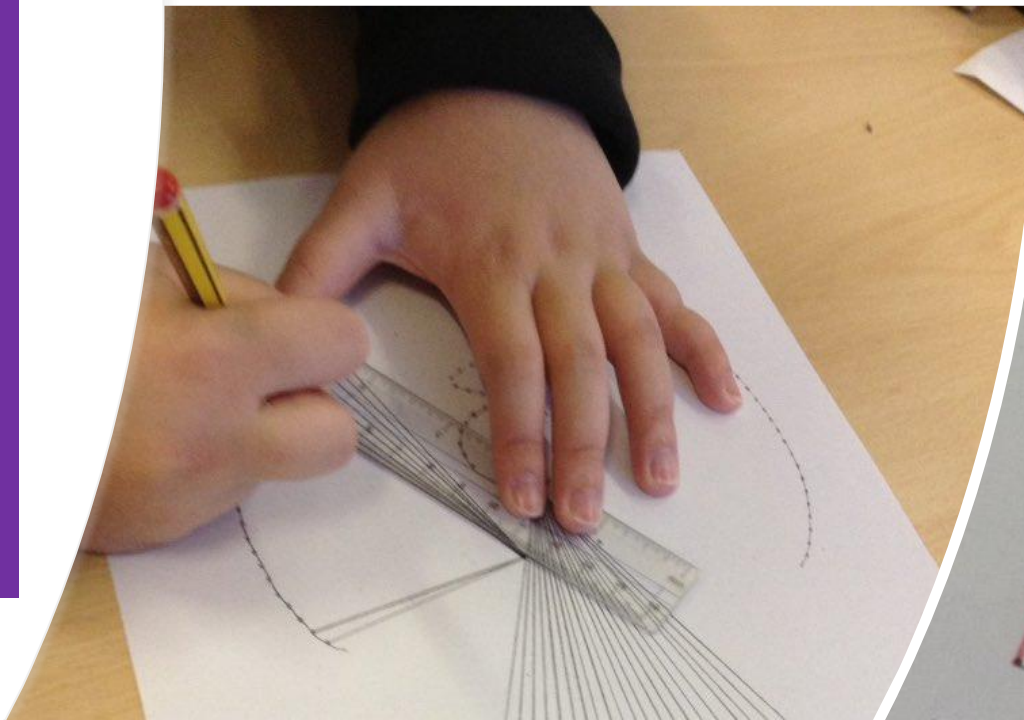
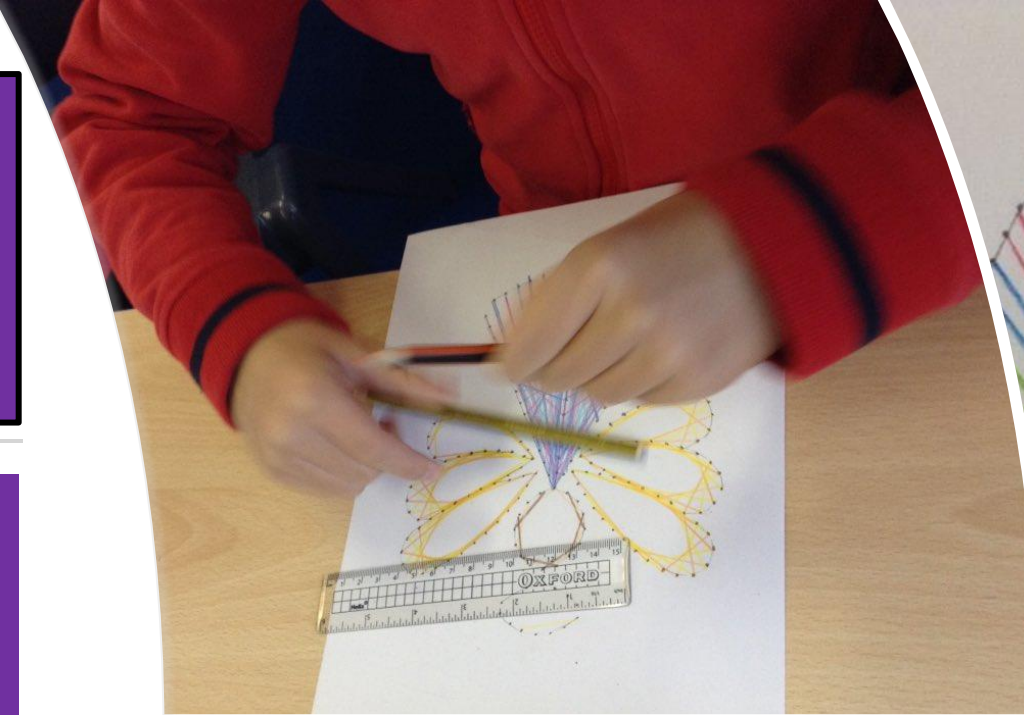
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Year Six have been exploring parabolic curves.



Parabolic Curve Angels

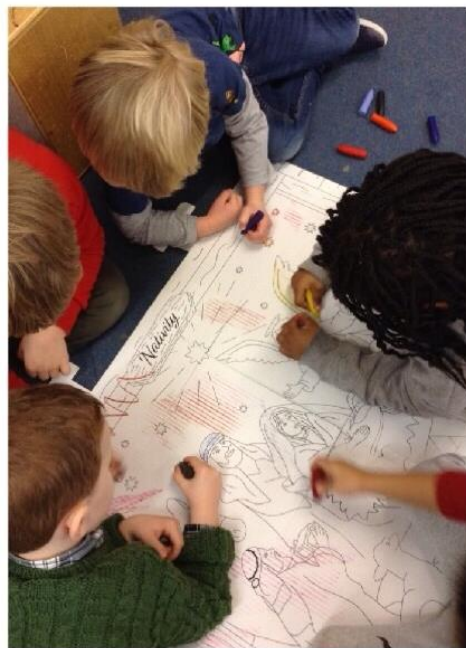
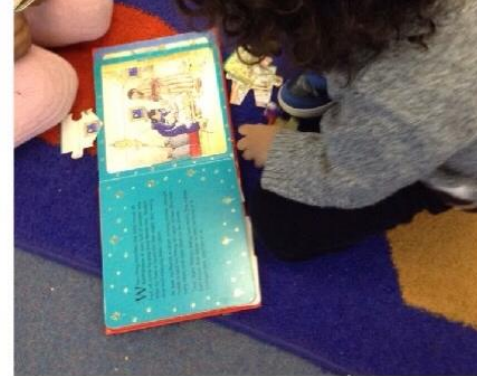
They then used these skills to design some fantastic angels. They demonstrated great perseverance and absorption in the task...and great pride in the results!

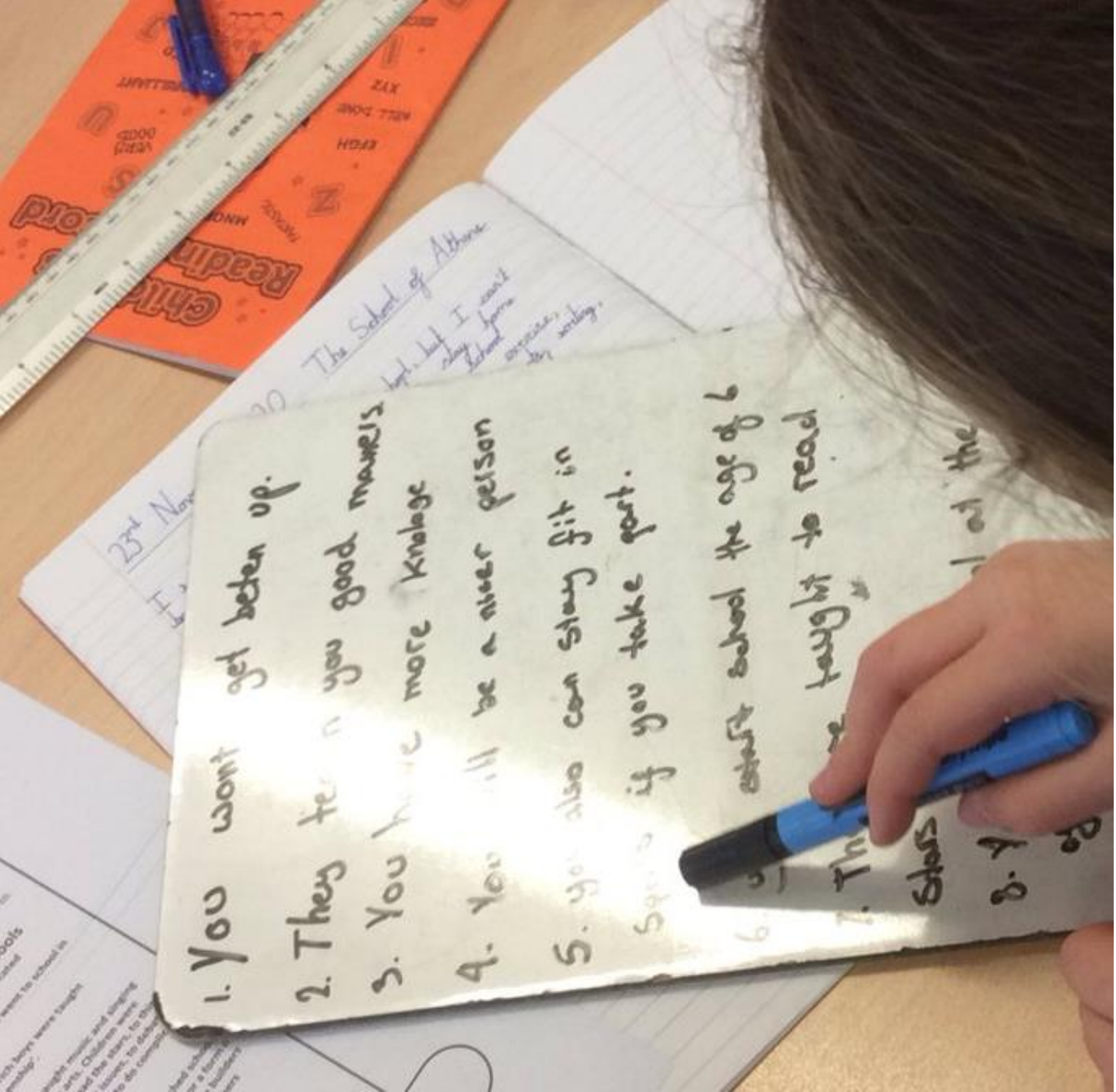




Year 3 have had lots of giggles turning themselves into a Christmas elf and Santa/Mrs Claus to decorate their class.

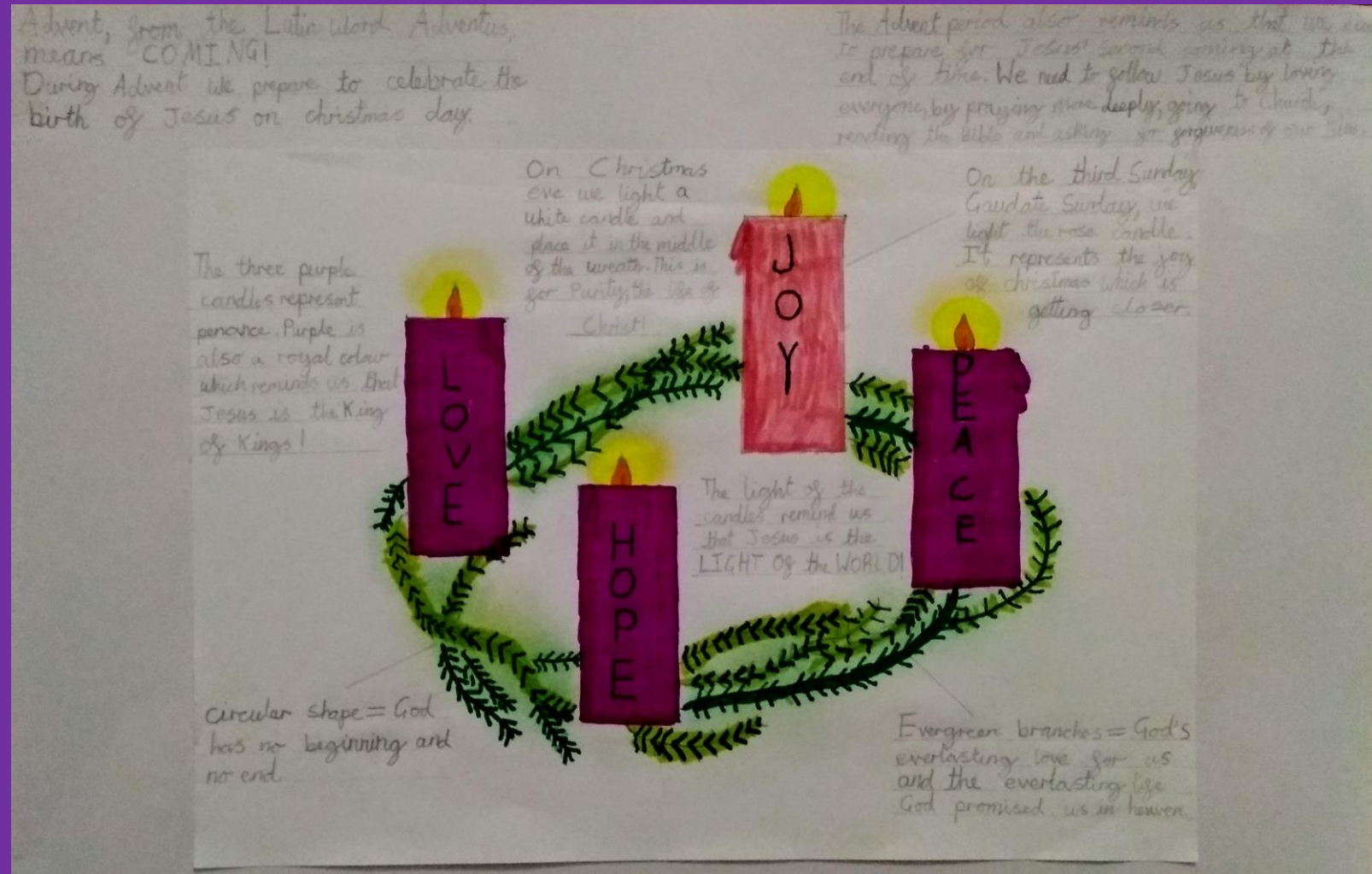
Getting ready for Christmas in Reception





Year 5 have been reflecting:
which school is better?
a Spartan school?
or an Athenians school?

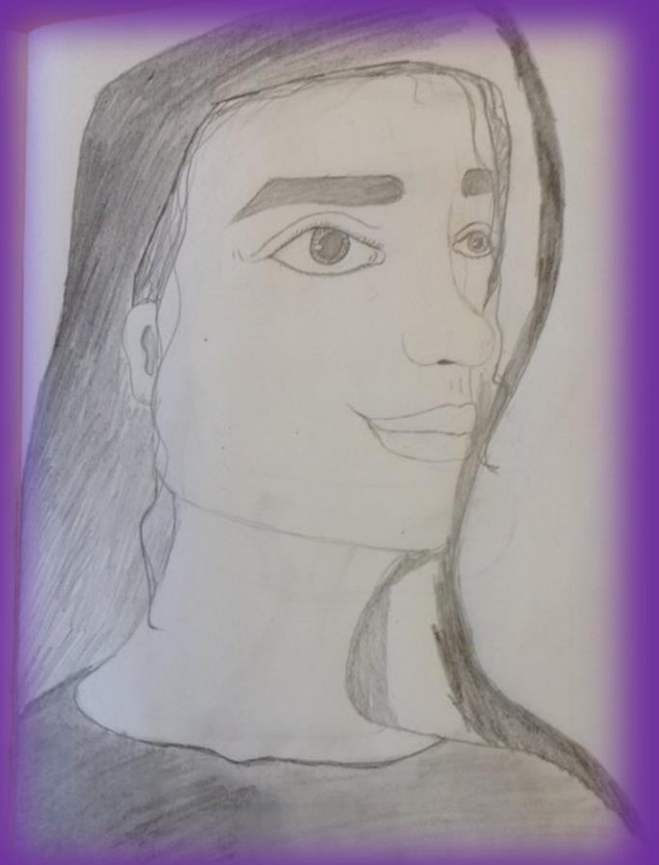
A Year 3 pupil has been working hard at home to produce this beautiful Advent wreath work. Together with her family she has prepared a paper chain with words linked to Jesus from the Bible. Each day there is a new word to look up linked with a Bible reading.



Year 4DA have been practising using descriptive language in a personal recount in English.

couldn't wait. Back in the cable car we played rock paper scissors. When we got there I could see tall buildings, skyscrapers, people sucking on mouth, everyone was rushing towards rides. We went to the roller coaster. I could hear birds chirping and a train chugging along. I got on a log flume which had no line. The sign on it which read high caution. I wondered why it was on the log flume and rolled to the highest point there that I knew we were in for a ride. We felt like we were going down but I knew it was going up just as the train started. When we got out I told my father to buy me a My mother came back with two Magnums. They were. After that I played a monster on a roller coaster. I wondered continuously it spun around it did the loop it rattled up and then whooshed down. I sat on it I was as petrified as petrified in bed. I thought I would barf! In the end it wasn't as scary as I thought it would be. Later that we went on a working boat and it was

Year Six Shakespeare have looked at the art of Stephen Whatley and drawn their own interpretations of Mary. <https://t.co/8lxCUFiG01>





Mr. White challenged the school to work out how many lights there are on the Christmas tree in the infant playground.

On the first morning Y3 estimated a figure of 400 but they were told that the actual number was more than double their largest estimate.

At breaktime when some pupils tried to count them all, Mr. White told them that their new figure was much closer; one of their estimations was just 20 away from the exact figure! They were challenged to investigate all the possibilities.

A few of them tried to count the lights one by one at break time! Their faces were a picture when Mr White told them the actual number was more than double their largest estimate.



We have school cribs in our grounds, both traditional and new! One came from the White family and has a brand new stable constructed by our headteacher! The lights are amazing too!

Please keep sending your photos with some details about your particular family crib including when and where it came into your family, why you particularly like it and any particular traditions you may have when setting it up.

Please send to Mrs Sherry
rsherry@stvincent.herts.sch.uk



REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR



Be Like St Vincent de Paul

WE NEED YOU



Y4 pupils invite you to join them as "Mini Vinnies" and help with our school Reverse Advent Calendar throughout next week.

You will find the donation point in the Infant playground from Monday.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR



EVERY LITTLE HELPS

FOOD
BAR



KINDNESS CALENDAR: DECEMBER 2020



MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Share the Kindness Calendar with others and spread kindness

2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are

3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment

4 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today

5 Make a gift for someone who is homeless or feeling lonely

6 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about

7 Leave a positive message for someone else to find

8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member

9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead

10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them

11 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today

12 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank

13 See how many different people you can smile at today

14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one

15 Contact an elderly neighbour and brighten up their day

16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to

17 Practice gratitude. List the kind things others have done for you

18 Give away something that you have been holding on to

19 Buy locally and support independent shops near you

20 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated

21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you

22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed

23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness

24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh

25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!

26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature

27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat

28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy

29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people

30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why

31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2021

Let's look beyond our differences and help each other. Every act of kindness matters



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Keep Calm · Stay Wise · Be Kind

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH

Sunday 6th December 2020



The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: "Look! I am sending my messenger ahead - he will prepare your way. A voice cries out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.'" And so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People from the land of Judaea and the city of Jerusalem came to him and, as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan, they confessed their sins. But John said, "There is someone else to come - someone who is more powerful than I am. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit."

Adapted from Mark 1:1-8
The 2nd Sunday of Advent, Year B

SHARING
THE
WORD



O God,
as light comes from
this candle,
may the blessing of
Jesus Christ come to
us,
warming our hearts
and brightening
our way.
May Christ our
Saviour bring life
into the darkness of
this world,
and to us, as we wait
for his coming.