# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

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#### Mini Vinnies Bring Christmas Joy to the Community

Pupils and staff from all four schools in our Trust attended Thomas Becket Catholic School (TBCS) on Wednesday to mark the beginning of Advent with an afternoon of carols and readings. Members of the local SVP were invited to share in tea, coffee and mince pies, made and served by TBCS students.

The members of the SVP were delighted to find out that the children from the three primary schools are all Mini Vinnies: working to put their faith in action by seeing the need in their communities, thinking about how they can help and then acting to help to improve situations.

Grace, described the day as, "the best day of my life." while Nhyira thoroughly enjoyed the conversations she shared with the older members of the SVP community, while distributing prayer cards that our Mini Vinnies had made.

Miss Marum RE Lead

#### Nativity Plays

We are looking forward to our FS and KS1 Nativity Plays next week, the children have been practising hard and it has been wonderful to hear their singing filling the Hall. We hope you are looking forward to seeing them, on the day we would like to invite you to enjoy refreshments kindly provided by our PTFA.

We ask you to support the Northampton General Hospital (NGH) Gift Appeal each year in exchange for a ticket to our Nativity plays. This year we have already received a donation of new toys for children that will be spending Christmas Day in hospital. Thank you very much to the family that delivered two sacks of toys, <u>NGH and others in Northamptonshire</u> have passed on their thanks via our Twitter and <u>Instagram</u> accounts this week.

#### News from the PTFA

In November you helped raise a massive  $\pounds 504.22$  by supporting our PTFA through the School Disco!

Thank you for your amazing Rainbow themed donations, we now have some beautiful hampers available to raffle in time for Christmas. Please see Kim after school or you can purchase raffle tickets at our Nativity performances.

Remember we are always looking for <u>new PTFA members</u> please see Kim the Chair of the PTFA for more information. All money raised by the PTFA goes



### **Upcoming Events**

#### December 9

Open Morning for prospective pupils

19:30 Christchurch Carol Service

#### December 10

FS Nativity Performance to School

12:00 Choir visiting Eleonore House to sing Christmas Carols

#### December 11

9:30 FS Nativity to Parents/Carers and Eleonore House Guests with refreshments kindly provided by the PTFA

Coombs' Christmas Lunch

18:00 Advent Service at the Cathedral

#### December 12

K\$1 Nativity Performance to School

#### December 13

9:30 KS1 Nativity to Parents/Carers with refreshments kindly provided by the PTFA

#### December 16

Open Morning for prospective pupils

back in to our school community; we hope by the end of summer to raise enough money to purchase some new IT equipment.

#### Invitation

We would be delighted for you to join the schools of our Multi-Academy Trust at the Cathedral Church of Our Lady Immaculate and St Thomas of Canterbury on Wednesday, please attend if you can.

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6:00pm Wednesday 11th December 2019 Northampton Cathedral, NN2 6AG

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