

HOLY TRINITY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As a school we are very keen and proud of the close partnership we have with you. We recognise you are the first and foremost educators of your child.

During this season of Advent we are asking all of the children to prepare for Jesus' coming in a special way.

To help your family gain an even greater understanding of the true meaning of Christmas we are going to ask each child to take home a 'Walking Crib'.

Between now and the end of term, your child, and each child in the class, will be given the opportunity to bring home a bag.

Inside the bag is a small crib or nativity scene, candle/candle holder, purple altar cloth, and a worship guide. We are hoping that each child will take home the bag and his/her family will use the contents to gain a deeper understanding of the Christmas Story. We are hoping that together you will find time for quiet, prayerful reflection.

There is a star inside the bag for you, or your child, to record a response to this experience, in words, pictures or even photographs. We will look through the stars in the first week back after the holidays, to share the thoughts, pictures, drawing and messages with the whole class, thereby bringing the season of Advent and Christmas to a spiritual close. They will be used to make a display.

Please could the bag be returned to school the following day, even if you have not had time to use it, so that the next child on the rota has the opportunity of taking the bag home.

Wishing you a holy Advent season

Bea Calow Chaplain



