

What the children thought:

I liked the different, unusual smells at the Wise Men staff because it was a really fun to experience new things from Jesus' time.

Wintershall told me a different perspective of the nativity.

I liked Wintershall because the way they made it feel like a real pilgrimage.

I learnt to respect Advent and the journey to Bethlehem.

That was my best day ever”

My favourite thing was getting the bag of treats- I love my sparkling treasure and Denzel the donkey was so friendly.

That was so fun and we learnt stuff too. I really liked all the olden day clothes.

We liked seeing the animals and it was really exciting not knowing what was going to happen at each step. It taught us about how the kings studied the stars and that the frankincense takes our prayers up to God



What the teachers thought:

The scenes were set up in a way that grabbed the children’s attention straight away.

The idea to have a bag to collect items along their journey really helped keep the children engaged throughout and take away the ideas with them.

The interaction with the characters, including all the animals, was fantastic. It really brought everything to life.

It was very well organised, and provided many different narratives and points of view on a well-known bible story.

A wonderful morning that fired the children's engagement with the nativity and presented the true Christmas story with fresh meaning. Thank you!

A thoroughly wonderful experience from start to finish. Thanks to all involved.

The whole event was very special. We love anything Wintershall related and always come away feeling the warmth of the Holy Spirit. Thank you to Lucy and her team for setting up such a wonderful experience for our children.

The children were so engaged by all the actors. They loved talking with them and learning more about the story.

The timings of the workshops were perfect for our schools...so well organised... the Wintershall team were lovely, clearly enjoying what they do.

I would highly recommend and will be exploring other opportunities for our children at Wintershall.

The immersive element makes the experience so special – in our very own playground

We were all impressed by the level of skill the actors possessed, and most children gained a good understanding of how it may have felt at the time.



It was lovely that they had a reminder to take away.

We were all super impressed that the crib continued despite the weather - well done to one and all for braving the elements as it was that day! Thank you!!!

The follow up resources are brilliant – we are using them throughout Advent to create a peaceful end of term

I love the powerpoint – we will definitely use it for our meditations.



The Travelling Crib Lambeth 2023

What the children thought:

This was the best school trip ever

We had the best time – it was so cool.

I liked it when we were feeding the donkeys.

The Donkeys were so cute.

It was very peaceful. It told me that Jesus didn't have to be born in a palace to be a king.

I liked the sheep and the funny shepherd. I didn't like their smell though!

I liked how Mary taught us about her baby. And we taught her about what to do.

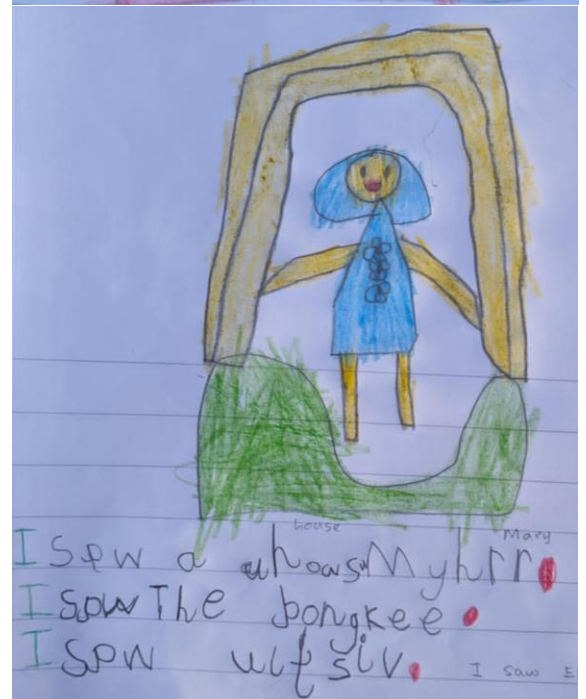
I liked smelling the King's presents.

We met Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, and she told us about a special angel. We were also given special wings.

Thank you for educating us about the story of Mary. I didn't think about her before now

I liked how we found out that Elizabeth was part of the story of Mary and Joseph.

I liked that Elizabeth taught us sign language



What the teachers thought:

The characters were so engaging. The actors really brought the nativity story alive.

The children were so excited to collect items for their purple pilgrim bag and take them home to share them

Wintershall is our school's number one choice for RE workshops. There are very few engaging Christian school workshops which is why we are so blessed to have you. Keep up the good work!

We had a wonderful day, such a special and unique experience for the children. All of the staff were so welcoming. THANK YOU!

The best bit was the little Advent bag that was full of things to wonder about, which we can take back to school and use – it's a long time until the end of term!

The children will use the bags and resources in class and for Collective Worship. I cant wait for them to share what they have experienced with the rest of the school.

We wanted to say a BIG thank you to you and your team for yesterday at Lambeth Palace. Year 3 had the best time.

LINK - [Year 1 learn about the Nativity - Latest Blogs - St Clement Danes Church of England Primary School \(st-clementdanes.westminster.sch.uk\)](https://www.stclementdanes.westminster.sch.uk/blog/2023/12/year-1-learn-about-the-nativity-latest-blogs-st-clement-danes-church-of-england-primary-school)

