



Advent at St Wilfrid's

The Christmas season is upon us and the year groups have launched into their Christmas projects. From questions such as *'How can a baby be powerful?'* to *'Why do people give presents at Christmas?'* and *'Why do we celebrate Christmas the way we do?'* to *'Who announced the birth of Jesus?'*, the children explore Christmas and seek to answer the questions. Our Year 4s, will be sharing all about the Christmas story, supported by Mr Hateley and our local churches, in our 'Advent at St Wilfrid's' videos. These can be found on our school website, with the first one 'Welcome to Advent' on the 'Advent at St Wilfrid's' page under the 'Community' tab. (Follow the link

[St Wilfrid's C of E Primary \(stwilfrids-hh.school\)](http://stwilfrids-hh.school))

Alongside this, our Year 1s and 2s are preparing for their nativity performances next week and our Reception children are looking forward to sharing the Christmas story with their families.



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Our Christmas tree looks great with all your home made decorations on. Thank you to **Goddenwicks Farm** for generously donating the tree.

Celebration Worship

Although we have been sharing with the children our weekly celebration worships, a technical issue had prevented us from putting them on the school website. Thankfully, this has now been resolved and all the Friday celebration of learning videos can be found here [St Wilfrid's C of E Primary \(stwilfrids-hh.school\)](http://stwilfrids-hh.school)



DISCOVER



EXPLORE



CREATE



Our value this half term

Each half term we focus on one of our values, which is embedded into our learning to help the children understand and appreciate their environment, the wider world and to help them be the best they can be. This term our value is

Hope.

We live with **HOPE**. We have the courage to meet the opportunities and challenges of the future, secure in God's love for us.



'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him'

Romans 15:13



Our Reverse Advent Calendar

A BIG thank you to everyone for all the donations towards our Reverse Advent Calendar again this year. The Haywards Heath Foodbank are extremely grateful for the donations.

Our last day of the calendar will be Thursday 16th so the last donations can be collected on the last day of term.



PE and Sport at St Wilfrid's

This month saw our third intra-house competition of the year as Key Stage two children took part in cross country.

Luckily, the weather was kind to us, and the children were able to run without being too cold, wet or muddy.

It was fantastic to see all the children who took part show such perseverance and determination to ensure they completed the course. This was especially true this year as it was the first time the year three, four and five children had run the course.

The children were running to not only see how high they could finish but also, to gain points for their house team. The results were as follows:

1. Yellow
2. Red
3. Blue
4. Green

This means we have had a different team win each of our events so far this year in what is becoming an incredibly tight race for the intra-house shield awarded at the end of the school year.

Congratulations also go to the children that won the individual races in each year group.

We now look forward to seeing how the chosen squad get on at this Saturday's Mid Sussex event at Warden Park Academy.

Mid-Sussex Football Tournament

After their success at the Haywards Heath tournaments, both the boys and girls football teams travelled to the Triangle on Friday to take part in the Mid Sussex finals.

The boys played well all afternoon against some tough teams and even tougher weather conditions. They drew their first game with Lindfield 1-1 before unfortunately losing to St. Wilfrid's Burgess Hill. Another draw followed against Birchwood Grove before an unlucky goal in the last-minute saw them lose against eventual winners Felbridge. They bounced back however in their last game to beat St. Mary's 2-1 and finish the day in fourth, a very good achievement.

The girls started against the same school as the boys but ran out 1-0 winners. An interesting run of games then followed as they drew the rest of their games 0-0 against Windmills, St. Mary's and St. Wilfrid's Burgess Hill. The girls played some fantastic football but came up against some resolute defences. Despite the lack of goals, their excellent defending meant that in a tight group, they ran out eventual winners. This means the girls will now represent the school and Mid Sussex at the County Finals in January.

Well done to all of the children who took part and thank you to all the parents/carers that helped to transport them and supported them throughout the afternoon.

Important dates

See our website [calendar](#)

