

Christmas assembly 2012:

Does anyone know what we call the time while we are waiting for Christmas?

Advent.

Has anyone got an advent calender?

Who can tell me how many days left until Christmas?

I need 9 people to come and help me. Each child holds up a letter spelling Christmas.

Can anyone help to think of some things that begin with each of these letters that remind us of Christmastime? Some are easy and some are hard.

C - crackers, cake, carols, cards and candles.

H - holly

R - Rudolf, red

I - icy, ivy, invitaions

S - Snow, sleigh bells, Santa

T- Turkey, tinsel, tree

M- mistletoe, music, mine pies

A - angels, advent calender

S - stocking, snowman, sack, stable

What do we most look forward to? Presents.

I have some presents here, can we guess what they are? (e.g. tennis racket and guitar shaped presents or others that are obvious!)

We give presents to remind ourselves that the wise men gave presents to Jesus. We don't actually know how many there were but some stories say 3 because there were 3 presents. Can anyone name them?

Gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Can anyone guess what is inside this box? Hard because we can't see what shape the gift is inside. Box with a toy baby doll. Ask a child to open it and guess who the baby might be. Jesus.

At Christmas we remember God sent his son to the world (Jesus means Saviour - one who saves) so that we could get to know him and so that he could bring peace and love. He is the best gift of all.

Song: Away in a manger

Emma

Prayer: Lord God,

This Christmastime please give me:

The gentleness of Mary,

The kindness of Joseph,

The joy of the angels,

The wonder of the shepherds,
The generosity of the wise men,
And the love of Jesus which is the greatest gift of all.

Amen