

THIS WEEK AT ST FAITH'S

3rd December 2021

The week began with our Advent Service in which our speaker, Reverend Dr Mandy Maxwell, encouraged us to reflect on the theme of 'waiting' and consider all the positive actions we can take during Advent, including helping others. We also lit the first candle of our Advent Crown, representing hope, and we considered the symbolism of the 5 candles, mounted on an evergreen wreath.

This week we have been treated to an impressive range of dramatic end of term productions and you can read about these performances below – including pictures of some splendid costumes! I have thoroughly enjoyed attending these events, which are the result of weeks of dedicated preparation by staff and pupils. It is clear that the children have relished the opportunity to share the results of their hard work with friends and family online.



Whoops-a-Daisy Angel

In the Pre Prep, there was a very special atmosphere on Wednesday morning as Angels, Shepherds and Wise Men streamed across Ashburton Courtyard brimming with excitement for the Foundation Nativity – this year in the form of the play 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel'. Broadcast live to parents, the performance brought to life the joy and delight of the Christmas story.

Confident acting, clear delivery of lines and charming costumes, combined with traditional Christmas songs certainly invoked a sense that Christmas has arrived at St Faith's!

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The Snow Queen

The Year 6-8 'Drama Works' after-school Drama group put on a memorable production of 'The Snow Queen' which was broadcast live via Teams on Tuesday evening. Having worked hard on their acting and mime skills over the term, the pupils performed with poise and assurance as they retold this classic tale.

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Faust & Furious

A number of our budding Year 8 actors, including those who are applying for Drama Scholarships to senior school, have enjoyed an after school activity this term studying the legend of Faust. They have choreographed a unique play about the legend of Faust, called 'Faust & Furious'. Focused around the theme of the Seven Deadly Sins and Faust's relationship with them, the pupils delivered a polished performance of dance, mime and action.

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It's All Greek to Me!

On Thursday afternoon, Year 5 performed live their versions of four classic Greek plays in 'It's All Greek To Me!'. During the term, Year 5 have been looking at the varying styles of Greek play, from Comedy to Tragedy, as well as the types of props and staging that would have been available to the Ancient Greeks. We heard four stories in total – Pandora's Box, Echo and Narcissus, Perseus and Medusa, and Daedalus and Icarus. The short performances from each group were truly excellent – well done everyone.

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