

The Life of Christ 2023

What schools thought..

Teacher and Student voice....

- This moving production certainly grasped the children's attention and was very thought provoking and moving.
- I loved how you got to walk around, that was my highlight, the change of scenery every act)
- I really enjoyed watching the baby Jesus because it was quite unexpected to see a real baby on stage. It was interesting when the 90 year old man was standing next to the baby because although they are the youngest and oldest people in the cast, they can still make a great scene.
- Something new I learnt is that the priests were envious of the power, respect and popularity that Jesus had, these are the things that pushed them into arresting him and later getting him crucified. This helped me realise that you should be content with what you have and don't look for what others have.
- I would recommend other children go, because in an RS lesson, you learn different parts of Jesus's life and sometimes you do not know at which part of his life they occurred; so watching the play pieced everything together. There is also so much you can learn outside of our classroom.
- Since we were outside and on the same level as the actors (they weren't on a stage above us) it felt like we were a part of the story
- I particularly liked the way that the play looked so realistic. The animals, the cross and the costumes were especially good. Also, the way the actors interacted with the audience was very good. Some of the ways that they staged things were very good, for example the children being chased down the hill and the soldiers coming down to kill Jesus. I also liked the boats that they had coming down the river.
- There were lots of parts that I remembered from the play but the three main things I remembered was in act 4, when Peter jumps out of the boat and into the lake. This was really unexpected but the audience loved it. Another part I remembered was in act 2 when the bread was being thrown into the audience, everyone was standing up and trying to catch it. It was very entertaining. The last main part I remember was when Jesus was being crucified in act 3. It was extremely sad and I didn't expect it to be as moving as it was.
- The day at wintershall had lots of good moments but in particular I liked the casting because I feel that everybody was casted well, everybody suited their character and everybody played their character well
- One particular part of the play stuck with me was when Jesus was when the fishermen came on the boats round the corner. I thought it was surprising that they actually used real boats on real water.
- The performance made me feel very good about myself, because I knew parts of the show that they were telling which made me feel quite smart. It gave me a sense of security to know that God is always with me. The part of the show when the donkey and sheep came in, stuck with me because I found it so funny and made it feel realistic.
- The actor playing Jesus was amazing but so too were all the cast. Our students loved the bread given out during the Feeding of the 5000 and we all found following the funeral procession to the cave profoundly moving. Utterly unforgettable experience. Thank you!
- Thank you for going above and beyond to look after our group today. The welcome and guiding made all the difference to the experience

- Most of the children in our group were really involved and excited the whole day. Saying 'I know this story' or 'We learnt about that'. The staff and actors were all amazing and we were blown away with the whole experience. The children particularly enjoyed being part of the trial and parents have spoke to me today saying how much the children were telling them about the experience.
- Well organised, fantastic welcome, beautiful performance and music
- Our children were just in ore from the very first moment, they loved the real animals and there were many comments like "it feels like we are really there!". I have seen the production many times before but never tire of seeing it again and again. Something new to be found in every viewing! A very memorable treat for the Year 6 to end their journey through our church primary school. Thank you for an amazing day!
- Seeing the variety of age ranges in the cast and the use of animals. Also the interaction with the audience was so good
- The package of the performance set in extraordinary grounds
 - Thank you so much for accommodating us. The girls really appreciated the time away from the classroom and had a lovely day. The staff were amazing and really supported us throughout the day. Thank you
 - Everything was brilliant - the whole day from beginning to end was wonderful
 - Students loved having photos taken at the end with members of the cast – thank you for taking the time to do this after a long performance
 - The sense of being part of the crowd at times was very moving. The unpredictable nature of the day, despite knowing the plot already! I loved the way that it was brought to life by very human dialogue, giving the chance for parts ot be explained rather than just proclaimed.
 - The slaughter of the innocents was brilliant
 - The bread, as always is a highlight. They love the thrilling bits too - the children being rounded up in Act 1.
 - 5 STARS to all involved
 - It was a fantastic day which definitely created a sense of awe and wonder with my class. They made good links to their learning in school also.
 - We all found it a truly amazing experience and felt privileged to be a part of it. It is a wonderful way to experience the life of Christ and the actors were ALL fantastic. I really enjoyed how close we were to the actors and the scenes, we were really involved and felt part of the story. I also believe the use of animals help bring the story alive particularly for the younger children.
 - It's a wonderful show with hidden jokes- very well written and produced.
 - They haven't stopped talking about it!!! A huge thank you to Lucy and her amazing team for making this trip possible
 - The setting of the various Acts was excellent. The students loved the use of live animals, particularly the dove being released at the Baptism!
 - You guys are amazing- see you next year