## Wintershall Travelling Crib South East 2024 Pupil and Teacher Voice

Host School Headteacher Seeing how our pupils really engaged with the actors which was so meaningful for them and really brought the whole Christmas story to life. The team were brilliant -really friendly and professional. The whole experience for the children was very special.

*EYFS Teacher* The Highlight was the children recalling what they saw and how they physically went on the journey. One child recognised that Elizabeth was Mary's cousin by remembering Mary's station.

*Y2 Teacher* Children were hanging on every word from the characters. Brilliant story telling. Of course they loved the donkey and sheep. The Children absolutely loved the event and their little bags they could take home.

Y6 Teacher My year 6 class benefited so much from this experience. It was pitched perfectly for them, at the end of a long week.

Host School Deputy Head This wonderful event provided our children with a unique opportunity to engage in immersive workshops that taught the Christmas story in a fun and interactive way. During the workshops, the children not only learnt about the significance of Christmas, but they also had the chance to interact with **real animals** on the school field, enhancing their experience and understanding of the story.

Y1 Pupil "I enjoyed meeting the donkey and learning that they have a cross on their backs."

Y2 Pupil "The wise man showed us the three precious gifts."

*EYFS Teacher* This morning, one child asked if we get to do the same thing every Monday.

*Lead Teacher Visiting School* This event was thoroughly enjoyable for all – teachers and pupils. Outstanding.

Y5 Teacher It was so interactive, having the characters ask the children questions and the children asking the characters. Such a great learning opportunity.

Visiting School KS2 Lead The awe and wonder of meeting the animals and characters from the Crib was so brilliant. The reflection at the end with the wooden figures cemented the learning experience – they can see it as part of their own lives.

Host School RE Lead The best bits for us - Being outside, seeing the animals, thinking about the feelings of the people involved in the story. Hearing feedback from visiting schools - What an honour to host the event for Wintershall.

Host School RE Lead From an organiser's point of view, the workshops have been an absolute joy to host! Everyone I have had contact with has been really friendly and efficient. We hope to be able to host Wintershall again soon.









Visiting School KS2 I just wanted to say a massive thank you for such an amazing visit to the travelling crib. Everyone absolutely loved it! It so well put together, and incredibly well organised. Everyone was raving about it when we got back. Thank you so much.

Visiting School Trip Lead I wanted to follow up with you, and I know this is a bit keen, but I wondered whether we could book for next year and whether it would be possible for the whole school can experience it? Thanks so much again, honestly such a fun and wonderful experience

Pheobe (R) "It was exciting, it was fun and we met Mary, and the shepherds."

Sophie (R) "We saw Shepherds - they had three real sheep."

Jude (R) "I saw a fluffy donkey."

Alex (R) "The wise men gave us a sparkle gem."

A huge thank you to the host school and Wintershall who funded the transport for us.

Class Teacher A wonderful time was had by all! What a beautiful start to Advent! We shared the Advent(ure) with our Reception families and will in our School newsletter on Friday. Each child from Reception and year 1 was given a Pilgrim bag for their special journey through Advent and filled it with goodies. What a wonderful journey.

Year 4 Class Teacher The children loved the Wise Man in particular the gem he gave them, the smell of burning frankincense and the interaction with the star map. So special and an experience they will remember for ever.

RE Lead Year 3 The Wintershall actors brought the story of Advent alive so wonderfully and the stories were certainly pitched at a level the children could relate to. The children so appreciated their 'journey bags' and will be using them back in class this week. The layout was excellent and gave the opportunity for just the right amount of time with each character. Thanks again to everyone, especially our host school, for a great experience.

*Visiting school Year 5* What a gift to Guildford! The whole school should be involved in this trip. Thank you for inviting us to this special event.









