



Dwardu's Scoops Christmas Special



Be kind to one another

By Nollaig Mac An Bhaird

This is the time of the year where Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. The message from Jesus and many other prophets from different faiths, indeed those without believe, can be distilled into one simple phrase, 'Be kind to one another, treat your Neighbour (those around you) as you would like to be treated'.

Realistically, in the world we live in, competitive, business like, 'take care of Number 1', we can forget this concept. We know in our hearts that this is what we should do, but...

I appeal to all of us, in the SEC community, in our daily lives and professions, to take the message of Christmas into the New Year, as a pop group once sang and wrote, 'The love you give is equal to the love you get'!

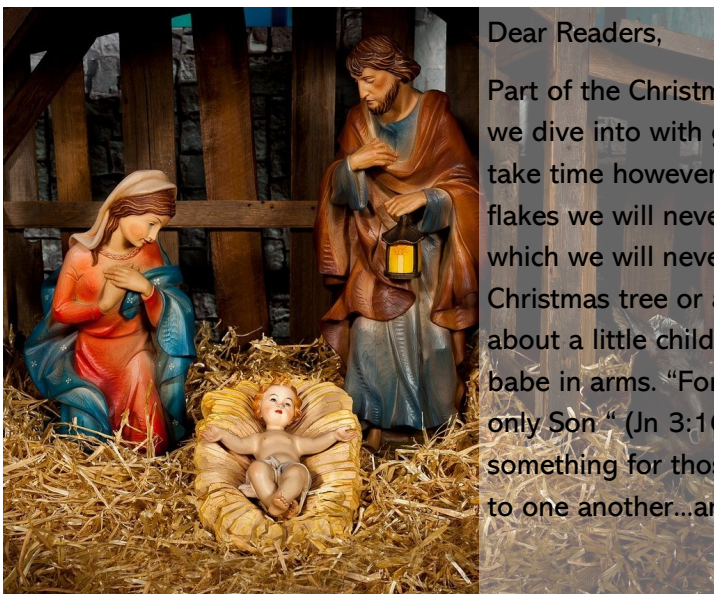
Wishing you all A very 'Happy Christmas!

Nollaig shona daoibh go leir, (Happy Christmas).

Headmaster



A special Edition of Dwardu's Scoops



Dear Readers,

Part of the Christmas spirit is the decoration and the preparation. This we dive into with gusto, turning December into one long party. Let us take time however, to remember that Christmas is not about the snowflakes we will never get to see in Malta, nor about Frosty the Snowman which we will never build. It is not about the German tradition of the Christmas tree or about the American importation of Santa Claus. It is about a little child, poor, born in a manger, an immigrant while still a babe in arms. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son" (Jn 3:16) and we cannot let Christmas go by without doing something for those less fortunate. As Headmaster said: let's be kind to one another...and Blessed Christmas to all.

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A Way to Make a Manger

By Samantha Abela
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Puttinu Cares...and so do we

By Doriette Bianco Mallia



For Christmas this year the students in Year 7 and Year 11 St Edward's College Boys decided to make a donation to Puttinu Cares. In a seasonal effort, students and parents came together and collected €1,520 in aid of this charitable organisation which assists families of children with terminal or difficult illnesses.

Ms Doriette Bianco Mallia, one of the organising parents, said that "We are glad that St Edward's was able to support in some way these families so that they can focus on their loved ones. Our donation can help make a real difference especially to these children. It means a lot to us parents that we can lift up in some way these children's spirit especially during the most wonderful time of the year".

The students and the parents sent all their loving wishes to the team at the Rainbow Ward at Mater Dei Hospital and thanked them for their sterling work.

Joy to the world, let us rejoice together

Christmas may be a time for family and friends but, at St Edward's College, we place great emphasis on the need to gather in our embrace all those who may feel left out, who cannot celebrate like us.

Three large van-loads of goods left the College on Christmas week destined to people in need. Children's homes were among the main recipients but the College boys, under the direction of their section heads and Chaplain Fr Manuel Camilleri Rodo, also collected school materials for students who could not afford stationery and similar materials.



Joyeux Noël

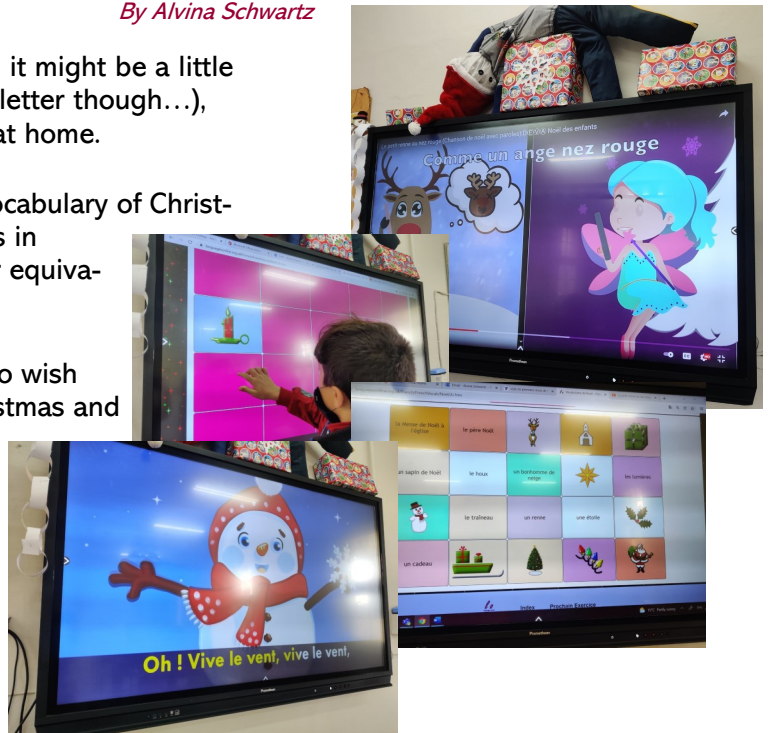
By Alvina Schwartz

Our Year 7 wrote a letter to Santa (dear parents, it might be a little bit too late to buy what your children put in the letter though...), which they enjoyed doing in class and finishing at home.

Our Year 8 played some games related to the vocabulary of Christmas, listened to and sang along Christmas carols in French (we loved singing aloud *Vive le Vent*, our equivalent to Jingle Bells).

Personally, I would like to take the opportunity to wish you and your family a blessed and peaceful Christmas and a safe, healthy, and prosperous New Year 2022.

Joyeux Noël !



Crafting a traditional crib



From Page 2

By Luca Agius 7X

Between Tuesday 14th and Tuesday 21st December, many St Edward's Middle School students took part in a Crib Making activity which took place in the History and Art room.

To create the mixture for the crib we mixed water and plaster, in Maltese 'gìbs verġni', to create a very sticky mixture that hardens quite fast. We then crumbled up big pieces of paper, that we recycled and dipped them slowly in the mixture and placed them neatly on the wooden base in the form of a cave. Using other pieces of wood, it helped us to keep the cave standing and not collapse with the weight of the plaster. Within a few minutes, the

paper hardened and we began to brush the structure with coloured powder mixed with water. We left the crib to dry for a day. The result looked extremely realistic, but the paint was still slightly wet. Therefore, we covered the whole structure with varnish coating. The following day we placed the small religious figurines inside and around the cave and decorated it with some soil and other natural props.

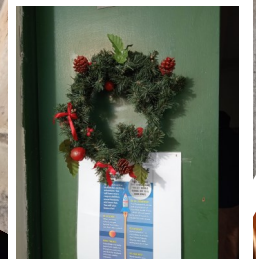
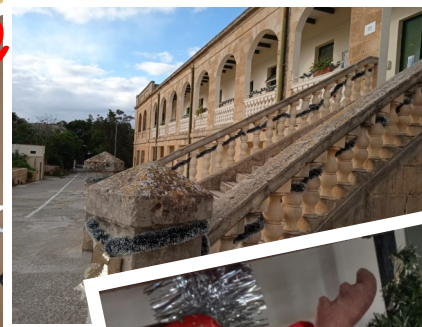
The Crib was finally complete.

I wished to take part in this activity because I am religious and enjoy doing crafts, especially for Christmas.

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The best part was getting messy and having fun together. Teachers who helped us were Mr. S. Camilleri, Mr. R. Falzon and Ms. S. Abela.

Come O Come Emanuel



Maranatha display was set up in front of the year 9, thanks to Ms Pauline Howarth. It signifies the coming of Jesus. The 3 kings are on their way, guided by the star and the manger is still empty with just the straw as He is not yet born. The display is meant to get the boys thinking about preparing their heart to welcome Jesus.



Merry Christmas

FROM THE EARLY YEARS



The Christmas 'Priedka'



19/12/21
By Lucas Attard Yr 8X

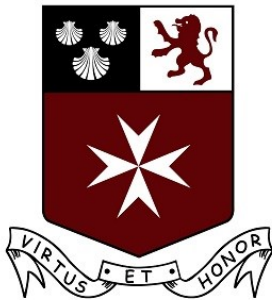
The "Priedka" is basically a dialogue between two people and would be based on Christmas. You would be chosen by the teachers of catechism and they would see if you attend frequently, but sometimes it would be as well by character. When you are chosen you are expected to take it seriously and to study it everyday because it has a lot needed to be studied because you have to say it by heart. The good part is after you finish the "Priedka" you get a gift from the people seeing the "Priedka".



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Charity begins at phone

All good stories start with the stock phrase 'Once upon a time'. Well this one does not. Early Years Head Ms Stephanie Grech was recently in touch with Dar Sagra Familja. This was part of an initiative intended to get the children, from an early age, to contribute to the welfare of those who may not be as fortunate. The sister in charge had a concern: they needed two mobile phones for you young adults who were living with them so that they could communicate with them when the youths were out of home.

The Early Years teaching staff sprang to action and collected enough money to buy not 2 but 4 mobile phones. And, as a further gesture of goodwill, DUAL ZONE, from whom the mobile phones were purchased, added a bonus: Another phone!

Truly good deeds which warm the cockles of your heart, this Christmas.

