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"if you have faith as small as a mustard seed...nothing will be impossible."
(Matthew: 17 v20)

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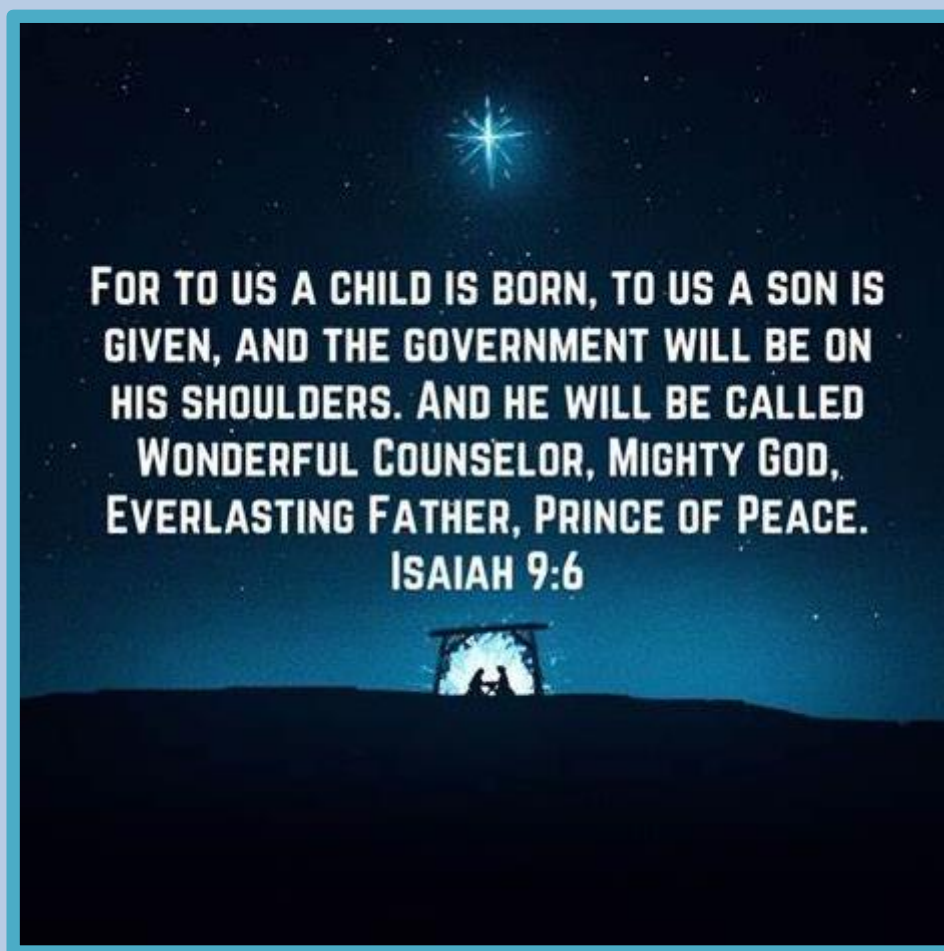
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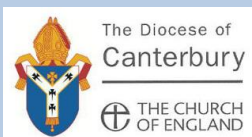
15th December 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,



**Wishing all the Northbourne CE Primary School community
a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

**We will see you all on Wednesday 3rd January
for the start of Term 3.**





Christmas Singing & Christingle Service

This week we have rounded off our Christmas celebrations with an afternoon of Christmas singing at school followed by our traditional Christingle service at St Augustine's church in Northbourne village.

The pupils have learnt about the meaning of the Christingle this week, as they all had the opportunity to make a Christingle for themselves. The pupils learnt that the orange represents the world, the sweets and fruit show God's goodness, the ribbon represents God's love, and the candle is Jesus, the light of the world.

The children, and adults, particularly enjoyed Father Andrew's performance as an inflatable Christingle!

Thank you to all the family and friends who were able to join us for these two events. We hope you enjoyed the children's festive singing, prayers and readings as much as we did.



Christmas Fair



Thank you to everybody who supported the Christmas Fair last week. We are thrilled to report that the Friends Of Northbourne have counted up **an amazing total of £1800!** Thank you all so much for your support and generosity! All of this money will go towards supporting the pupils at Northbourne throughout the coming year.

Thank you to the Friends Of Northbourne and all of the volunteers who helped to make the Christmas Fair such a success.

Father Christmas' visit



We were very excited when Father Christmas dropped into school on Wednesday afternoon this week, to surprise all of the pupils. He took time out of his very busy schedule to visit each of the classes and hand out an early Christmas present to everybody. The pupils were extremely excited to welcome him into their classrooms, and they all showed lovely manners as they thanked him for their chocolate!



Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday saw the whole school dressed in bright, festive, Christmas jumpers as we all gathered in the school hall to enjoy our Christmas lunch together. All of the adults in school served the pupils their lunch, and each child had a cracker to pull with their friends. Christmas music was playing and a round of applause was given for Louise and Natalie, our wonderful school cooks. It was a lovely way to top off our week of Christmas celebrations!



***Please note:**

Wednesday 3rd January – Start of Term 3 for all pupils

The Big Question:

Is it better to give or receive a gift?



**Term 2 - Values
Trophy Winners**



KS1 - Maisie H
KS2 - Kitty

End of Term 2 Values Class Winners

Inquisitive

Willow – Jaxon
Beech – Willow
Maple – Grace
Hazel – George
Oak – Merida

Communicative

Willow – Eli
Beech – Arthur
Maple – Lily
Hazel – Ted
Oak – Lucy

Collaborative

Willow – Maisie
Beech – Felix
Maple – Archie
Hazel – Elliot
Oak – Isabella W

Resilient

Willow – Rowan
Beech – James
Maple – Jude
Hazel – Tom W
Oak – Matilda GK

Independence

Willow – Orla
Beech – Lachlan
Maple – Louie
Hazel – Pennie
Oak – Jakob

Emotionally Intelligent

Willow – Niamh
Beech – Charlotte
Maple – Marnie
Hazel – Faith
Oak – Amber