

SUNDAY 9TH JANUARY 2022

ST COLUMBA'S FAMILIES NEWSLETTER



HI FAMILIES OF ST COLUMBA'S,



A very Happy New Year to you. For those of you back at school, I hope term has started well.

Today is the traditional, last/twelfth day of Christmas. It always feels a bit sad to box up the Christmas decorations; though sometimes there is also a bit of a feeling of relief as well. The poem below reminds us that the outward signs of our celebrations may be put away, but the meaning of Christmas has certainly not disappeared. As is sometimes said: Jesus is not just for Christmas!





When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,
the work of Christmas begins:
to find the lost,
to heal the broken,
to feed the hungry,
to release the prisoner,
to rebuild the nations,
to bring peace among the people,
to make music in the heart.

The poem "The Work of Christmas" is from Howard Thurman's *The Mood of Christmas and Other Celebrations*.

We are currently trying to finalise the dates for our Sunday School gatherings. We will let you know asap.

In the meantime, thanks to Fiona for choosing activity for this weekend (below).

<https://ministry-to-children.com/two-kinds-of-baptism-lesson/>

Take care and have a good week

Angus & the Sunday School Team