

Collective Worship

Theme: Christmas Gift – Based on Joh Lewis Christmas Advert 2018

Please note: These are just ideas to support your own planning – please change, adapt and tweak for your school and children. You do not have to follow these plans exactly as they have been written. Please watch any video clips first to check the suitability for your school context.

Gather	Engage	Respond	Send
<p>Light the candle and advent candles</p> <p><i>Leader: The joy of the Lord be with you.</i></p> <p><i>Response: and also with you.</i></p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mj7Pr42rlil</p> <p>Pentatonix – O Come all ye faithful</p> <p>Have this song playing as the children come into worship.</p>	<p>I wonder ...</p> <p>What is the best gift you have ever recieved?</p> <p>What is the best gift you have ever given? (Think, pair share with each other)</p> <p>Do you always remember what you got given? Are there some that you remember more than others? I wonder why this is?</p> <p>How did the person react to your gift?</p> <p>How did this make you feel? (Think, pair share) Discuss how giving and receiving gifts makes you feel.</p> <p>They say it is better to give than receive – what do you think? Do you agree? Why? (Think, pair, share)</p> <p><i>Remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' Acts 20:35</i></p> <p>You could illustrate this by having a box of chocolates (or whatever is your favourite treat) at the front and explain that these are your favourite and you can't wait to eat them, but instead you are going to give them to ... (choose a member of staff) because they have ...(share a reason why) so I want to give these to them because I am so grateful for all they have done for me etc.</p> <p>Every year companies try to create the best Christmas advert. John Lewis created an advert this year that talks all about the importance of gifts that last.</p> <p>Watch the advert together. https://youtu.be/mNbSgMEZ_Tw</p> <p>The line at the end of the video says: some gifts are more than just gifts.</p> <p>Elton John, who is a famous musician, shares his story in the advert. It</p>	<p>I wonder how this gift of Jesus makes you feel?</p> <p>I wonder how it makes you feel to think that God gave you His most precious gift... Jesus?</p> <p>Think quietly to yourself and reflect on the gift of Jesus for all.</p> <p>Pray together:</p> <p>Invite children to share a prayer with the school, thanking God for his son, the gift he gave the world at Christmas time.</p> <p>Amen</p> <p>Sing together:</p> <p>O what a glorious night by Sidewalk Prophets. (It begins with a child reading Luke 2: 8-12)</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6aGLV5CfoTU&start_radio=1&list=RD6aGLV5CfoTU</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V0h-Qjiyc24 - A version with actions!</p>	<p>I wonder what you could do to share the gift of Jesus with others?</p> <p><i>Go in peace to share God's love and story of Jesus.</i></p> <p><i>Amen</i></p>

shows the gift his mum gave him when he was a small boy; a piano.
What difference did that piano have on Elton's life and everyone else who listened to his music?
I wonder... what was the power of this gift?

God gave the world a gift. This gift was a powerful gift, a gift that could change the world. God gave this gift to show how much he loved all mankind.

Read together Luke 2: 8-12. (You could also act this part of the story out or watch a video clip
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RZ3JCoTWHVM>)

I wonder how the shepherds felt when they heard this good news?
I wonder how you might have felt if you had been there and angels had told you of God's gift?
The angels told the shepherds that a Saviour had been for YOU. A saviour for us.

