



*'Together we enjoy learning, achieving, sharing and praying.*

*Let Jesus love shine through in everything we do.'*



# Catholic Social Teaching Newsletter December 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

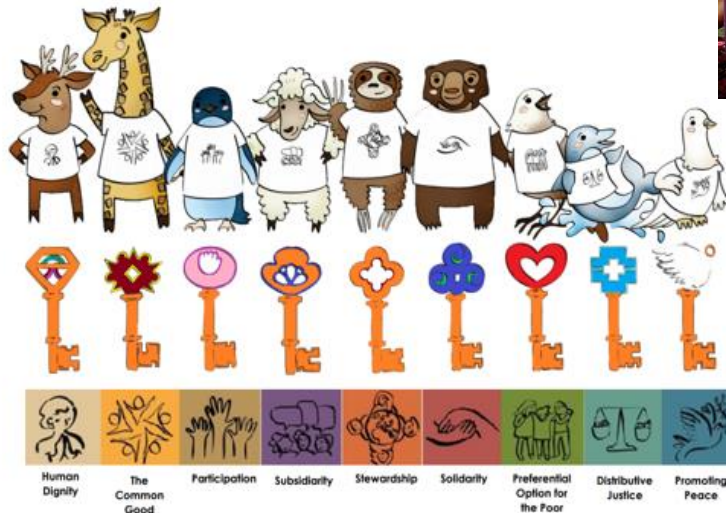
Welcome to our monthly Catholic Social Teaching newsletter where we can share information each month on what the children are learning. You can share and discuss these themes as a family.

Well done to Zoha (6Dw) and Shreemaan (RS) who had the honour of laying baby Jesus in the manger today as we lit the white candle on the wreath.

This month the children have heard the Gospel readings from Luke.

They have taught us about being prepared and preparing the way for the Lord.

We learnt about John the Baptist's spirit of service and how he was sent to prepare the way for the Messiah.



**Our CST Awards this month:**

**Ece (2A), Khaled (6Dw), Lesedi (3/4R)**

**(Well done!)**

## Chikondi the Giraffe

Chikondi reminds us to follow Jesus' example of ensuring that quieter voices are heard, so that a better world is achieved together and where each and every one of us, including our mother earth, may flourish. Ultimately, no one can truly flourish if another person is hungry, lost or abandoned, nor can humankind flourish while our common home is degraded and exploited for the good of the few.

## Prayers for the family at home

[www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/](http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/)

Use the link to share together as a family at home.

More information about Catholic Social teaching can be found through our Catholic life and Mission page on the school website <https://www.staidansacademy.org/catholic-life-and-mission/>



**Let us pray:**

Lord of All, we give you thanks for your abundance, and for all the great things you have given us, especially the birth of Your Son on this day. We ask your blessing upon this food, and upon our friends and family. We also pray that in your great mercy, you would look kindly upon all those in need this day.

**Lord in your mercy**

**Hear our prayer**



Chikondi  
the Giraffe