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“Love one another as I have loved you” John 13:34 (Our school Mission)

### Own clothes day for first day of ADVENT SCHOOLS FOR BETHLEHEM

Dear Parents and Carers,

This Christmas, we have decided as a school to support the Schools for Bethlehem Campaign, <https://bethlehemcareandhospicetrust.org/schools/> which aims to raise much-needed funds to establish the **first ever hospice** in the City of Bethlehem.

Firstly, we will be holding a non-uniform day on Monday 30th November, to celebrate the first day of advent. Children can wear their own cloth clothing (try to find something purple – to represent the colour of the new Liturgical season), along with a contribution of £1 per child. All money received will go to supporting the hospice in Bethlehem. A Cash donation is fine.

For the whole month of December, we're asking families to create their own Christmas crib scenes at home, using whatever materials you have to hand, or that your child would like to use. We'd love to see the figures and animals as well as the crib itself. Don't forget the little details as they will really set the scene!

When your crib is finished, please send us photos so that we can share your child's great work. You can send to the [schooloffice@stalbans.wirral.sch.uk](mailto:schooloffice@stalbans.wirral.sch.uk) email with the title "Our family Crib"

To help raise as much money as possible for the hospice, we're also requesting a minimum contribution of £2 per crib scene from participating families. As a thank you for taking part, each child will receive a special certificate,

By supporting this campaign, we'll be helping to create a safe haven for the terminally ill in the town of Jesus birth and supporting some of the most vulnerable in Bethlehem. I'm sure, like me, you will think that this will help to focus the children on the true meaning of Christmas and be a lot of fun at home!! I can't wait to see the cribs.

For more information about the campaign, take a look at <http://bethlehemcareandhospicetrust.org/>

Everyone at St Alban's is looking forward to seeing your crib creations!

Yours sincerely

*Mr J McDonald*

John McDonald (Headteacher)