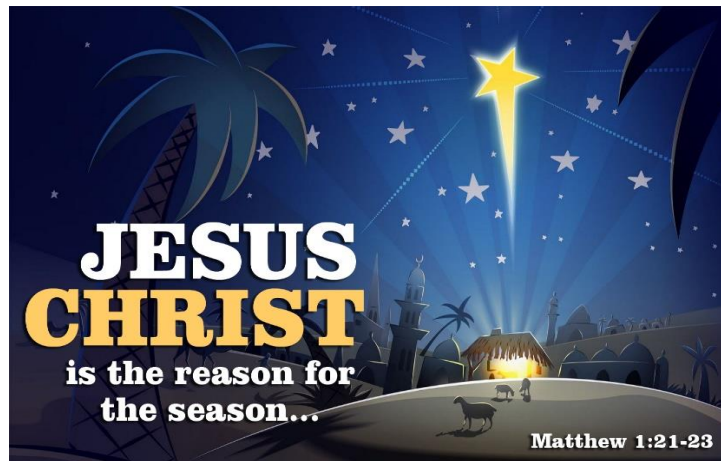











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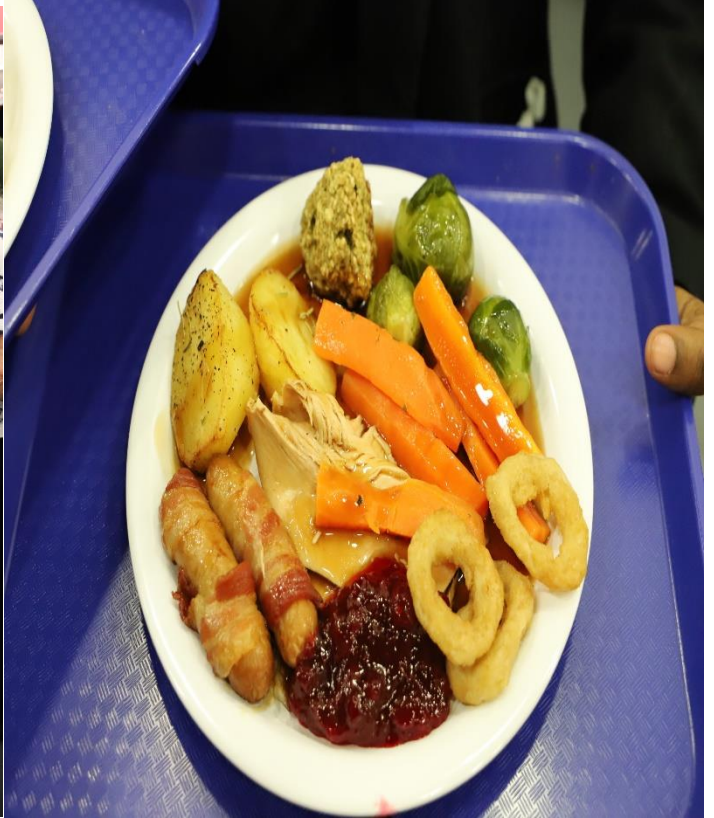


-  **Advent Crib** – we have our crib up in a prominent position in our foyer area. This is a spiritual way to reflect on the real meaning of Christmas.
-  **Advent wreath** -In St. Michael's we have our own advent wreath that we light daily in assembly and pray for the needs our community, our world and our own needs this advent.
-  **Friday Morning Mass** – As always, Mass is celebrated at 8am in our chapel every Friday morning. Many thanks to 7MA and 8MA who have led the last two Friday Masses.
-  **House activities**-The students have competed in a wide range of challenges since our last publication. These have included a tug of war competition, a fashion competition using recycled items, a chess competition, a spelling Bee challenge, A Christmas card competition, a bake-off competition and a Christmas song competition.
-  **Advent Senior citizen's party**- on the 19th of December over 90 local senior citizens joined us and were treated to an evening of fine food, drink, good chat and a chance to have a dance or two. The evening included a drama presentation on the real meaning of Christmas.
-  **The Jimmy Mizen foundation.** St Michael's staff have donated selection boxes to make up hampers to raffle as prizes. The raffle money will be donated to this worthy charity.
-  **Advent Senior Citizen hampers** – we are asking all students to bring in non-perishable food items for our annual senior citizen's hamper appeal. Items should be worth between £1 and £2 and should be brought in on Friday 21st December. Students can wear their own clothes on this day
-  **Christmas service**- Father Alan will lead our Christmas service at Dockhead Church on the 21st December-the theme will be welcoming the stranger.
-  **Year 10 retreat** –30 year 10 and year 9 students benefitted from the opportunity to withdraw from the hustle and bustle of school life in London and went on retreat from the 21st-23rd of November. This was led by the St. Vincent's team in Whitstable, Kent.

Year 10 with some 9's retreat at Whitstable



Senior Citizen's Party 19th December



House competitions

The upcycle -fashion show



