

Roseberry Primary School

Early Years Nativity – The Sleepy Shepherd

Parents, friends and family filled the school hall to see the early years nativity, The Sleepy Shepherd.

The children from Reception and Nursery produced a memorable performance with their interpretation of the traditional Christmas message. Telling the story of the Sleepy Shepherd who slept through his days but managed to stay awake long enough to hear the news of the birth of Jesus and make his way to Bethlehem to share in the celebration.

Friends and family would be forgiven for forgetting the young age of the children as they showcased some impressive drama and singing skills whilst remembering their lines and tackling the daunting task of performing in front of an audience.

Parents supported the nativity by providing costumes that transformed the children into stars, sheep, angels, kings, shepherds and donkeys, with the narrators showing off some festive Christmas jumpers.

The performance was supported by catchy songs each telling the story from the perspective of the different characters with the children enthusiastically leading the chorus and remembering the actions.

It closed with the children singing ‘We Wish You A Merry Christmas’ to the audience who had been treated to a memorable show.

Proud parents and family members took the opportunity to stay back and take pictures of their children in their costumes.

Mrs Haslam was extremely impressed with the children who had learnt the words and actions to eight songs plus all of their individual lines and was thankful to parents for their support with providing costumes and practicing with children at home.

“I thought it was fantastic for the age of the children.” Macy’s Grandmother

“Wasn’t it brilliant? Its clear to see a lot of hard work has gone into this and it’s paid off.”
Imogen’s Nana

“Wow! Charlie has been singing the songs at home and practicing really hard so it was nice to see it all come together. I’m so proud of him, especially as he stepped in as Joseph last minute to cover.” Charlie’s Mum

“I really liked singing the marching song.” Millie

“I liked speaking and said ‘wake up sleepy shepherd and count your sheep!’ It was nice to show my Mum and Grandma.”