

Your Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name & Contact Number: _____

Nativity Sheep Trail

One of the Cinderford shepherds wants to go and see baby Jesus, but he can't find all his sheep! He knows that he went into these shops - will you help him find the missing sheep? Each sheep has a name, when you find each one, write the name of the sheep on the line, but please leave the sheep in the shop for the next person to find.

AbFab Flooring

Sheep's name: _____

All-Sorts

Sheep's name: _____

Buds & Bouquets

Sheep's name: _____

C & J Bakery (either shop)

Sheep's name: _____

Camerons

Sheep's name: _____

Carpenters DIY (in the window)

Sheep's name: _____

The Crusty Loaf

Sheep's name: _____

Elsa's Pet Shop

Sheep's name: _____

Ensors

Sheep's name: _____

Forest Discounts

Sheep's name: _____

Forester Newspaper Office

Sheep's name: _____

Forest Sewing Room

Sheep's name: _____

Forest Sweets

Sheep's name: _____

Happinest Fruits & Veg

Sheep's name: _____

Jackson's Butchers

Sheep's name: _____

Kayla's Treasure Trove

Sheep's name: _____

Library

Sheep's name: _____

The Locksmiths & Security Centre

Sheep's name: _____

The Palace Cinema

Sheep's name: _____

Roots Gallery (@ the Forester Office)

Sheep's name: _____

Second Chance Reptiles

Sheep's name: _____

Skoops (in the window)

Sheep's name: _____

Town Council Offices

Sheep's name: _____

Wyedean Healthfoods

Sheep's name: _____



The Christmas Story



On 25 December we celebrate Christmas, the birthday of Jesus ...

Jesus was no ordinary baby! Before he was born both his parents, Mary and Joseph, were visited by angels who told them how special Jesus was going to be. They told them that Jesus was being sent by God!

When Jesus was almost ready to be born, Mary and Joseph travelled a long way, to a town called Bethlehem. It was very busy and they couldn't find anywhere to stay. They ended up where the animals were usually kept. Jesus was born, and Mary wrapped him in cloths and put him in the manger. A star appeared in the sky over the place where Jesus lay.

Out in the fields, some shepherds were looking after their sheep when suddenly an angel appeared. The shepherds were very scared. The angel told the shepherds not to be scared because he had brought good news. He told them that Jesus had been born and that he would be the person who would save the world. He told the shepherds to go and see Jesus. Then there were lots more angels who sang glory to God and peace on earth.

The shepherds went to see the baby Jesus. They knelt down in front of the manger and were very happy that they had found the one who had been sent by God. When they left, they told everybody they could find about Jesus and about how he was going to save the world.

Later on, some wise men came from the East to see Jesus. They brought special gifts because they knew that Jesus was a king. They were surprised that he had not been born in a palace. They worshipped Jesus and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

And so... Each Christmas we remember God sending Jesus to us, and we celebrate. We celebrate God's gift to us. We celebrate Jesus being born.

God gave us Jesus to show us how much he loves us. Each Christmas we give presents to those that we love.

Please drop your completed forms off at The Vicarage (next door to St Stephen's Church, Belle Vue Road) or bring them along to the **Christingle Service at St Stephen's on Sunday 20 December at 4.00 pm**, where we will award a prize to whoever finds the most sheep (or draw a winner from all the completed forms!)