

every night. Each colour bead represented a different thing such as black for sin, red for blood, yellow for Holy Spirit, green for growth, white for forgiveness and purple for passion. These beads were made into a witness bracelet for every child there.

On Friday, the last night we stayed there, everyone got dressed up for "The Oscars". People performed and the Junior Leaders showed us a film they had been making throughout the week. The Junior Leaders served us food. Then awards were given out for the best dorm, team and competition winners.

We can't wait to go back again next year!

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Blandford dates next year - Sat 17th - 24th July

Open to anyone in years 6-9 at school!!

Sunday School

Prophecy and mystery are the strands connecting the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. The Seasons of the Spirit coursework helps us prepare by listening to the prophetic voices of Jeremiah, John and Mary in Advent. At Christmas we witness with awe the arrival of God in the flesh and in the season after Epiphany feel God's keen desire for justice and mercy and build an understanding of call and ministry. Common themes for these seasons are the power of God's word and the naming of prophetic voices heard in the texts and in our own communities today.



Prayer Advent 1

God of all, as we live awaiting the fullness of your promises to us, we ask to be kept faithful, strong in hope and active in service. Amen

Prayer Advent 2

God of promise, as we journey towards another Christmas season, give us your grace so we may focus on preparing ourselves to receive your life anew. Amen

Prayer Advent 3

Dear and gracious God, your abundant love enters our lives, transforming us so we may live more fully and know your peace. Lead us to the Christ child, as we rejoice in your promise. Amen.

Prayer Advent 4

Ever present God, humble us so we may sing with Elizabeth and Mary your song of justice and salvation. Amen