

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday 17th December the whole school will be making Christingles as part of our traditional Christmas celebrations.

Christingles are made using oranges and a few other items. Each element of a Christingle has a special meaning and helps to tell the Christian story:

*The orange represents the world

*The red ribbon (or tape) symbolises the love and blood of Christ

*The sweets and dried fruit represent all of God's creations

*The lit candle represents Jesus's light in the world.

We would like each child to please bring an orange to school on Tuesday. These need to be a full sized orange (not a satsuma or clementine). We will provide the rest of the items. The school will hold a special collective worship in the afternoon to light the candles and celebrate together.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Kind regards

The St Mark's Team