## THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS AT S.M.I.L.E

Christmas reminds us of the importance of giving and sharing with friends and family. At Santa Maria Christmas was celebrated with much thought and understanding for the world around.





The preparation for Christmas started from the month of October with Christopher Sir listing names of Choir children. On the other hand, teachers spent time discussing the script for the Nativity play.

Santa Marians brought more meaning to Christmas celebrations by sharing gifts with children in need. The school was filled with gift packs as children kept bringing them. It was a moment of joy for every child as he/she gave away the gift to Christopher Sir during carol singing. The gifts were carefully packed and numbered and sent for distribution amongst the children who are underprivileged.





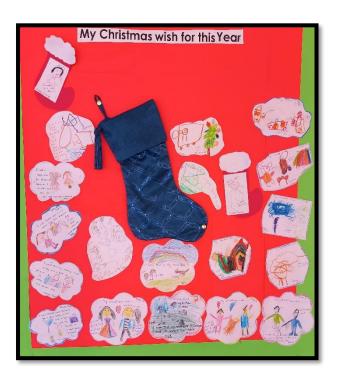
Children enjoyed making various crafts like Christmas tree and cards on their own.





Children had a great cultural exchange during the class get together. Every class was decorated by children before the get together. Christmas cakes sent by parents were thoroughly enjoyed by children.

Children illustrated their Christmas wishes. Beautiful thoughts and feelings emerged through their drawings.





The Christmas day (20th December): The most awaited day was here, the ground was all decked up with decorations. Children were all dressed up and thrilled to be on the stage. This year we had our Nursery and KG as the audience along with the parents of Prep.





The program began with a welcome speech followed by a Christmas carol. The preps captivated the audience by enacting the Nativity (musical Nativity) and gave out message of the birth of Jesus very humbly. They also exhibited their skills by doing simple and age appropriate dances that added to the festive atmosphere.







Honourable Chief Guest Ms. Sapna Prasad praised and appreciated the efforts of the little ones, the choir and the teachers. School also appreciated Parent volunteers who extended their valuable support time and again.

Children also received story books as Christmas gifts. They were thrilled to find their names in the pile of the books that were kept near the Christmas tree. Christopher sir dressed as Santa Clause and sang Christmas carols with them.





Children of Santa Maria have understood that the celebration of Christmas should be a reflection of the love and selflessness and that giving, not receiving brings to full bloom the Christmas spirit.