

# P O S ★ D A

## MAKING ROOM FOR JESUS THIS CHRISTMAS

Posada is an old Mexican tradition where young people dressed as Mary and Joseph travelled from house to house asking for a room for the night and telling people about the imminent arrival of Jesus in the weeks leading up to Christmas. On Christmas Eve they would visit the local church to re-enact the nativity and place figures of Mary and Joseph in a crib.

Modern day Posada uses nativity figures of Mary and Joseph who travel from place to place. This gives each 'host' the chance to create their own celebration in their home or place in the community, worshipping and reaching out to their communities with the real message of Christmas, making room for Jesus in their lives.

Our local Church, St Mary's in Yelverton is inviting the children of this school to take part with Posada this year and share in the joy of Christmas by hosting Mary and Joseph for a night?

### **What is involved?**

**All you need to do is add your name to the Journey Rota which you will find on the church display board in the school corridor for a night that will suit you. Mary and Joseph will start their journey following the All 4 Sunday Service at St Mary's Church on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm and will end their journey again at St Mary's Church on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December by taking centre stage at the Carol Service at 6.00pm.**

**It would be really helpful if you are taking Mary and Joseph from the School that you return them to school the next day, or if taking home on a Friday then return the following Monday. There will be a table in the School corridor for you to pick up/return them. Please contact Louisa Hibbin's Mum, Claire on 01508 494792 with any questions.**

For the evening you 'host' Mary & Joseph you can choose to do whatever you like. Why not invite friends and family to talk about the meaning of Christmas?

We hope you will enjoy taking part.