**Hello!**

**Here is your Little Acorns Christmas craft pack for a few weeks in December. There is absolutely no pressure to do all of them! Simple choose a craft, enjoy getting creative and please share a picture of your child(ren)’s craft on the Little Acorns Facebook page. We love seeing your creations!**

**Love the Little Acorns Team**

**Belle, Rachel, Geraldine and Rhiannon x**

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| **Date** | **Theme** | **Craft** |
| 7th December 2020 | Mary visited by angels | 1. **Handprint Christmas card** |
| 14th December 2020 | Travelling to Bethlehem | 1. **Donkey craft** |
| 21st December 2020 | Jesus is born | 1. **Christmas biscuits** |

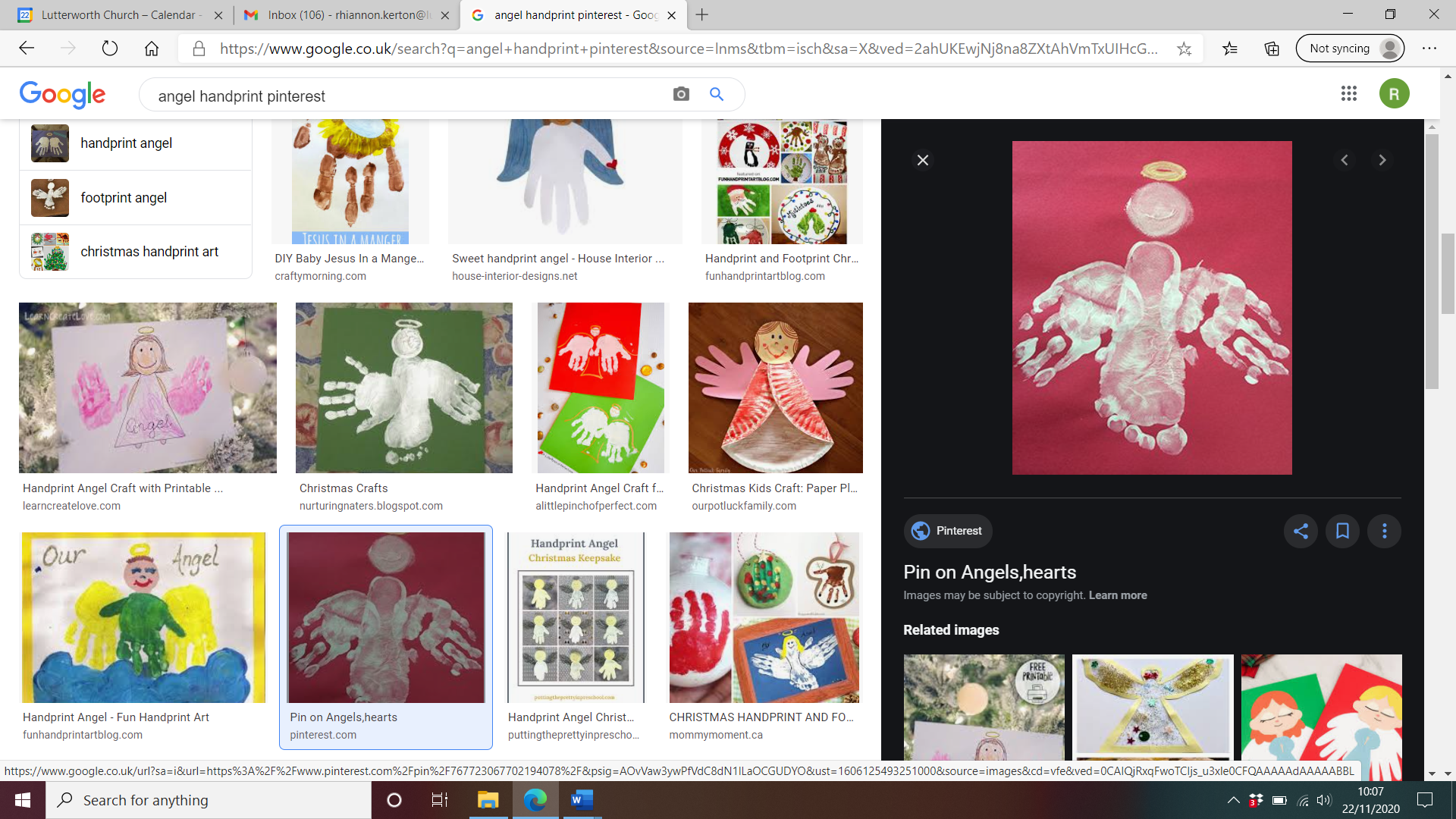
7th December

1. **Christmas card-Handprint angels-Mary visited by angels**

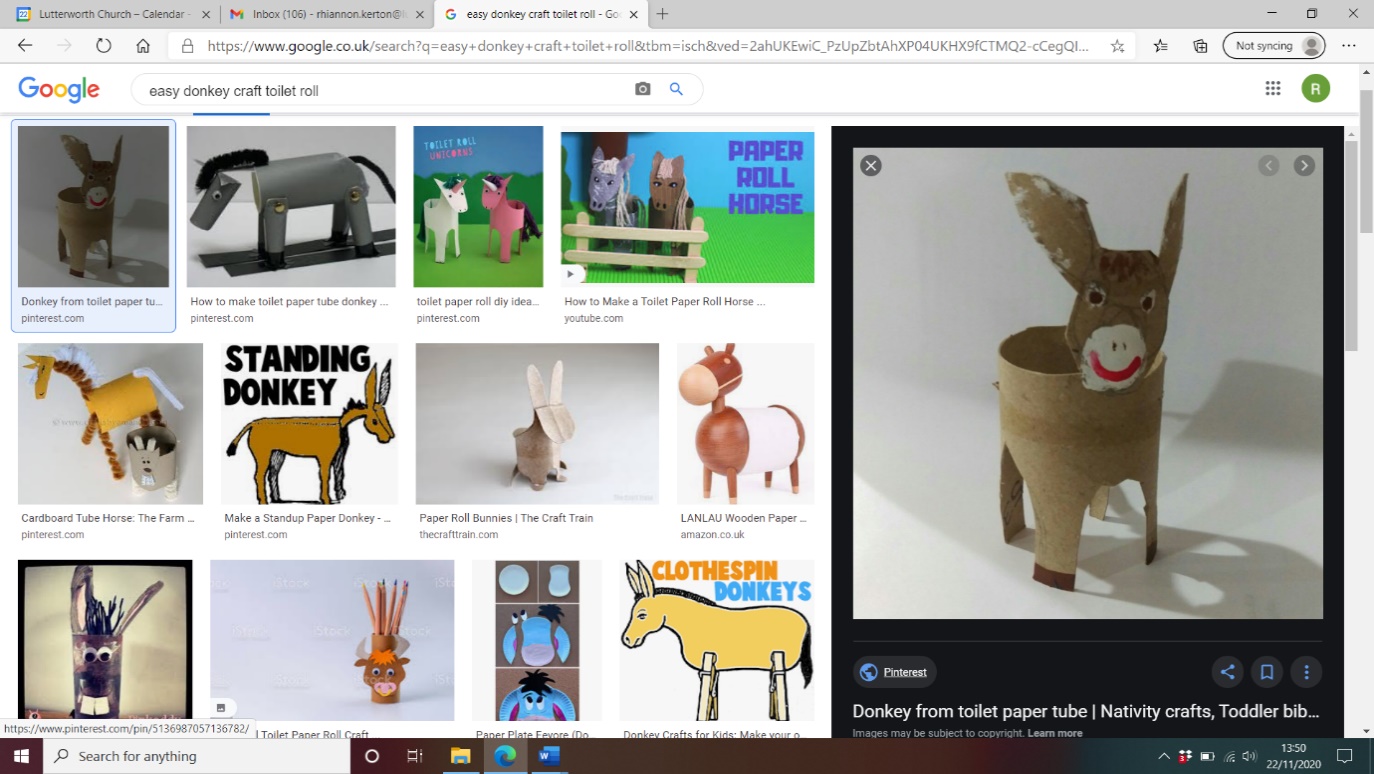
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| **What you need…** |
| Hands |
| Paint |
| Pencils/crayons |
| Card |

We heard todays bible story about an angel visiting Mary. Angel has surprising but exciting news. Mary was going to have a baby! The baby’s name shall be Jesus!

Today we are going to be making a Christmas card for a friend with an angel on the front.

**Instructions (Only a guide, add extras if feeling creative!)**

1. **Roll up sleeves/trousers! Take off a sock!**
2. **Depending how brave you’re feeling…draw round a foot/paint a foot and place on folded card.**
3. **Wash foot.**
4. **Either side of footprint-draw round hand/paint hand and place onto black paper.**
5. **Paint/draw an angels head.**
6. **When dry attach eyes.**
7. **Please take a picture of your card to show us by sharing on the Little Acorns Facebook page!**
8. **Leave to dry and send your Christmas card to a friend!**

14th December

1. **Travelling to Bethlehem-Donkey**

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| **What you need from home….** |
| Empty toilet/kitchen roll |
| glue |
| Pens/crayons |
| Brown card/paper- circle for donkey head |
| Brown card/paper for the donkey ears |

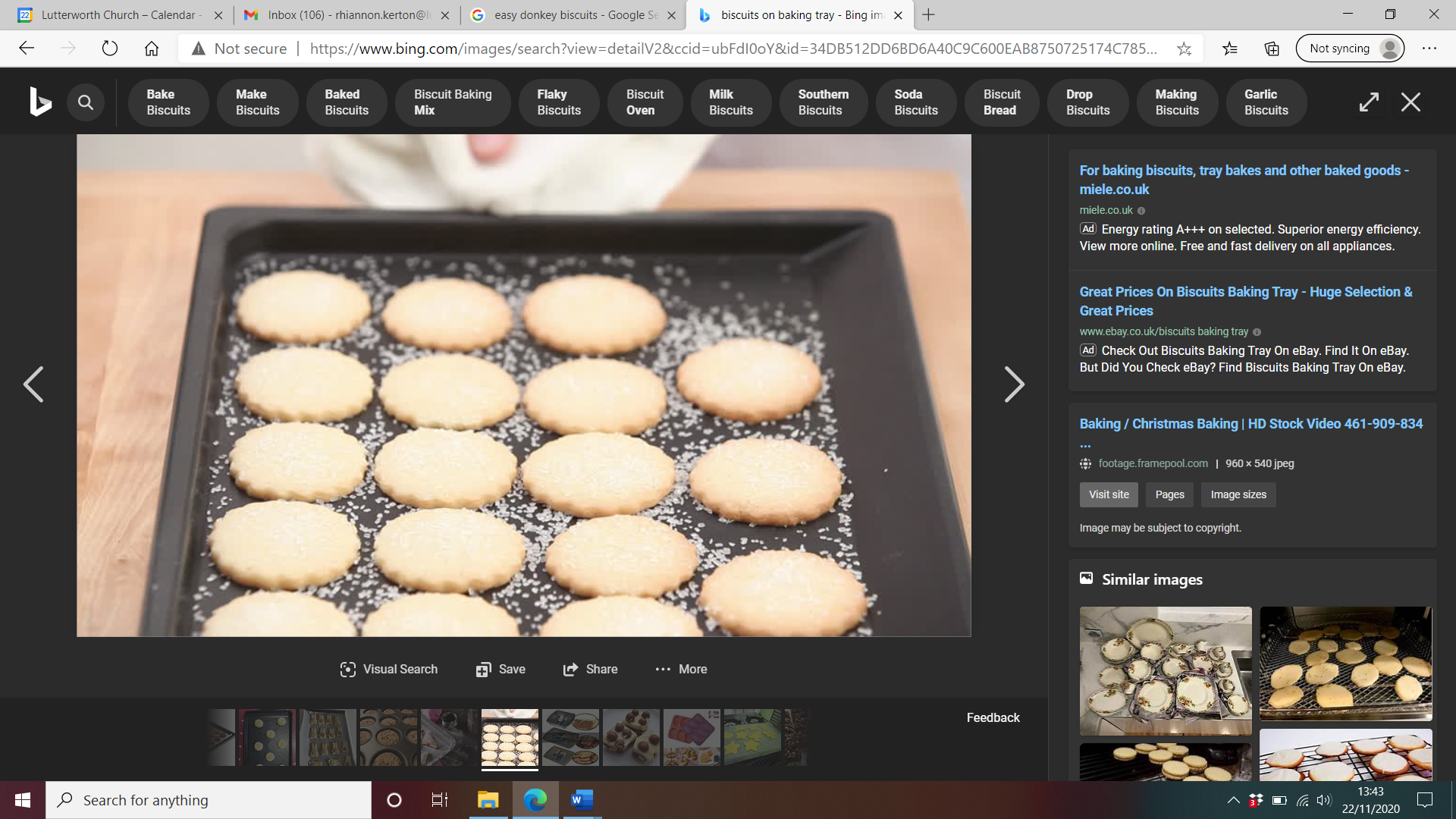
**Template for donkey head**

Mary travelled on a donkey! They didn’t have cars, buses, trains or planes then! Mary sat on a donkey and the donkey carried Mary. Mary and Joseph were travelling to Bethlehem. It was nearly time for Jesus the King to be born!

Today we are making donkeys out of toilet/kitchen rolls!

**Instructions**

1. Cut the roll in half
2. (Optional, cut at the bottom feet for donkey feet)
3. Draw a circle (or use template) on the brown card/paper for the donkey face.
4. Draw oval shaped ears (or use template)
5. Cut out ears and face
6. Glue on the donkey face
7. Glue on the donkey ears.
8. Please feel free to add other craft to your donkey!
9. Please take a picture of your donkey and share it on our Facebook page.

21st December  **3. Jesus is born!-Biscuits**

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| **What you need from home….** |
| Oven, wooden spoon |
| Baking tray, bowl, cup |
| Ingredients:  Flour  Butter  Egg  Vanilla extract  sugar |

We heard today in our bible story Jesus is born! So today we are going to celebrate and bake biscuits!

**Biscuit recipe**

* **100g unsalted butter, softened**
* **100g golden caster sugar**
* **1 large egg**
* **½ tsp vanilla extract**
* **200g plain flour, plus extra for dusting**

**(add choc chips/decorate after if desired)**

**Method**

1. Heat the oven to 200C/180C fan/gas 6 and line a baking sheet with baking parchment.
2. Put the butter in a bowl and beat it with electric beaters until soft and creamy.
3. Beat in the sugar, then add a little egg a bit at a time and vanilla, and finally the flour to make a dough. If the dough feels a bit sticky, add a little bit more flour and knead it in.
4. Pull pieces off the dough and roll them out to about the thickness of two £1 coins on a floured surface. The easiest way to do this with small children is to roll the mixture out on a baking mat.
5. Cut out shapes using a rim of a small cup/biscuit cutter.
6. Place the biscuits onto a baking sheet and bake for 8-10 mins or until the edges are just brown.
7. Leave to cool for 5 mins, then serve. Will keep for three days in a biscuit tin.