"Rudolph Finds some Friends" and "The Smallest Angel" Gr R Nativity

MUSIC: When a child is born – Johnny Mathis

ENTRY: RUDOLPH

RUDOLPH:

"It's the night before Christmas! I am feeling very sad because no one wants to play with me. And they all laugh at my red nose."

SONG: "Rudolph The Red Nosed Reindeer" - 1st half

Rudolph the red nosed reindeer had a very shiny nose And if you ever saw it you would even say it glowed All of the other reindeer used to laugh and call him names They never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games

ENTRIES: 2 REINDEER - PUSH AND SHOVE AND LAUGH

RUDOLPH:

"I am going to find some new friends! Oh look some children."

ENTRIES: 4 CHILDREN - DECORATIONS

SONG: "I hung my Christmas Stocking up"

I hung my Christmas stocking up before I went to bed And screwed my eyes up very tight because my mommy said "Now close your eyes and go to sleep, be quick for goodness sake For father Christmas never comes to those who lie awake"

(Pause and pretend to sleep)

The morning came and long before the grownups were about I sat up quietly in my bed and pulled my presents out.

SONG: "Christmas Tree"

- O Christmas tree O Christmas tree how lovely are your branches
- O Christmas tree O Christmas tree how lovely are your branches

In beauty green they'll always grow through summer sun and winter snow

O Christmas tree O Christmas tree how lovely are your branches.

CHILDREN:

- 1. Do you know why we are using candy canes to decorate the tree?
- 2. Yes because it's shaped like a shepherds crook and Jesus is the good shepherd
- 3. And it is white because Jesus is good and pure
- 4. And RED because Jesus shed His blood for us

- 5. It is made of hard candy because Jesus is our rock
- 6. It is sweet like Jesus' love
- 7. If you turn it upside down it is a J for JESUS

CHILDREN: "We'll be your friend. Let's play here for a while."

SONG: Dance, dance around the Christmas tree"

Dance, dance around the Christmas tree
All the pretty light are a sight to see
There's going to be a toy for every girl and boy
So, dance, dance around the Christmas tree

March, march around the Christmas tree
All the pretty light are a sight to see
There's going to be a toy for every girl and boy
So, march, march around the Christmas tree

Skip, skip around the Christmas tree All the pretty light are a sight to see There's going to be a toy for every girl and boy So, skip, skip around the Christmas tree

RE-ENTER: 4 DOVES

RUDOLPH:

"Hello. What beautiful birds you are. You must be doves. Please play with me."

MUSIC: Carnival of the animals - doves fly and lead Rudolph to some worried animals.

RUDOLPH:

"Why are you looking so worried?"

ANIMALS: (2 cows, 2 sheep, 1 donkey)

"It's the night before Christmas and we cannot find Father Christmas anywhere!"

(All animals look around)

MUSIC: Piano

RUDOLPH:

"What's that red thing over there?"

(They all walk slowly towards it and sure enough it's Father Christmas fast asleep.)

SONG: "The Animals in The Forest"

The animals in the forest found Santa behind a tree They woke him up with a 1 2 3 It must be Christmas if you are here Where are the presents for the children this year? With a tiddly ai Tai and a boogy woogy And a tiddly ai Tai and a boogy woogy woogy Where are the presents for the children this year?

FATHER CHRISTMAS:

"I've got the presents here but who can help me find the way?"

RUDOLPH:

"I can!"

SONG: "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer"

Then one foggy Christmas Eve Santa came to say Rudolph with your nose so bright won't you guide my sleigh tonight? Then how the reindeer loved him as they shouted out with glee Rudolph the red nosed reindeer you'll go down in history!

FATHER CHRISTMAS:

"I have eaten too many mince pies. I am stuck!"

SONG: "Father Christmas, he got stuck"

Father Christmas, Father Christmas He got stuck, he got stuck Coming down the chimney, coming down the chimney, What bad luck, what bad luck!

(A round)

Children all help FC to get out of the chimney

FATHER CHRISTMAS:

"Thank you and now I will tell you a special story"

ENTRY: STARS

MUSIC: Special star – mango groove

SONG: "Twinkle, Twinkle"

Twinkle, Twinkle star so bright Twinkle, Twinkle in the night God sent you to show the way To the place where Jesus lay Twinkle, Twinkle star so bright Twinkle, Twinkle in the night

ENTRIES: MARY, JOSEPH AND DONKEY

SONG: "Joseph is sad"

Joseph is sad as he travels the way Mary is tired at the end of the day "Innkeeper have you a room for us pray May we stay here till the morning?"

NO

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YES BUT ONLY IN THE STABLE AT THE BACK

Here in the stable the weary may rest Oxen and asses will welcome the guest He will be safe as a bird in its nest Jesus will come in the morning

ENTRY: GABRIEL (STAND BEFORE MARY WITH TWO FRIENDS)

SONG: "Once an Angel Told A Secret" (three tenors!)

Once an angel told a secret, told a secret long ago Told us God would send us Jesus, God's own son who loves us so Bye lo baby Jesus (x3) Happy Christmas time!

MUSIC: Jingle Bells - Dolly Parton – CD

ENTRY: ANGELS FROM SIDE BENCHES UP AISLE AND DOWN SIDES OF PEWS

NARRATION/POEM:

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When the Christmas Angels came flying down to earth, They flew to fields in Bethlehem and sang of Jesus' birth But ten of them were slower and could not fly so fast There little wings were not so strong and so they got there last.

Debbie

Each of them was hoping to play his little part, For each of them had willing hands and each a loving heart. "Will there be a place for me?" each wondered as he flew, "Will there be some little thing that even I can do?"

SONG: "It Was On A Starry Night"

It was on a starry night when the hills were bright Earth lay sleeping, sleeping calm and still Then in a cattle shed, in a manger bed A boy was born, King of all the world

And all the angels sang for Him The bells of heaven rang for Him For a boy was born, King of all the world. (X2)

POEM:

10 little angels flew down on Christmas day Each of them was hoping to find a part to play. Through the stable door they tiptoed in a line One flew to Mary's side and then there were nine.

9 little angels standing side by side,Saw the shepherds coming across the field outside,2 little lambs were following, afraid they would be late,One went and brought them in and then there were eight.

SONG: "On a lovely Christmas Night"

On a lovely Christmas night shepherds travelled far Seeking baby Jesus, following a star Shepherds came to Bethlehem, heard the angels sing, Found a little manger and the newborn King!

8 little angels with folded hands and wings Peeped into the manger to see the King of Kings, Kneeling by the Baby, the little King of Heaven, One sang a lullaby and then there were seven.

SONG: "Little Jesus Sweetly Sleep" - 2 angels and Mary

Little Jesus sweetly sleep
Do not stir
We will lend a coat of fur
We will rock you, rock you, rock you
We will rock you, rock you, rock you
See the fur to keep you warm
Snugly round your tiny form.

7 little angels had seen the wise men bring Gifts of gold and frankincense to give to the King

SONG: "Wozani Sikulele"

Wozani Sikulele, wozani sikulele, wozani sikulele Kukristu Nkosi (x2)

ENTRY: 3 WISE MEN TO GO UP SIDE OF PEWS AND DOWN THE AISLE

"We Three Kings Of Orient Are"

We 3 Kings of Orient are Bearing gifts we travel afar Field and fountain, moor and mountain Following yonder star

Oh, star of wonder star of night Star with royal beauty bright Westward leading, still proceeding Guide us to Thy perfect light.

PARENTS/AUDIENCE JOIN IN WITH THE OTHER VERSES (song sheet)

The angels had no presents, but out of straw and sticks, One made a toy for him and then there were six.

6 little angels busy looking around, Saw the cobwebbed rafters and straw upon the ground. The stable was a humble place for Jesus to arrive, One swept it nice and clean and then there were five.

SONG: "Away In A Manger"

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

5 little angels beside the oxen's stall, Knew the gentle animals were puzzled by it all, They told them it was Jesus, and on the stable floor, One knelt to show them and then there were four.

SONG: "Jesus Our Saviour" SONG ON CD

Jesus our Saviour kind and good Was born in a stable of straw and wood And the friendly beasts around Him stood Jesus our Saviour kind and good.

I said the donkey shaggy and brown I carried His mother uphill and down I carried her safely to Bethlehem town I said the donkey shaggy and brown.

I said the cow all white and red
I gave Him my manger for a bed
I gave Him my hay to pillow His head
I said the cow all white and red.

I said the sheep with the curly horn
I gave Him my wool for a blanket warm
He wore my coat on Christmas morn
I said the sheep with the curly horn.

I said the dove from the rafters high I cooed Him to sleep so He would not cry We cooed Him to sleep my mate and I I said the dove from the rafters high.

Jesus our Saviour kind and good Was born in a stable of straw and wood And the friendly beasts around Him stood Jesus our Saviour kind and good.

4 little angels saw the manger bed, And wished they had a pillow for the Baby's head They took a little bunch of hay and gently as could be, One laid it under Him and then there were three.

PIANO: Lullaby on the Piano

3 little angels saw the Baby wake, Saw Him smile and stayed a while for His sweet sake, Mary gently covered Him with her cloak of blue, One helped to tuck Him in and then there were two.

SONG: "The Cattle Are Lowing"

The cattle are lowing the baby awakes
But little Lord Jesus no crying He makes
I love Thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky
And stay by my side until morning is nigh.

2 little angels standing by the door, Wondered whether either was needed any more, Everything seemed tidy and nothing left undone One trimmed the lantern and then there was one.

SONG: "Be Near Me" – **PARENTS/AUDIENCE JOIN IN (see song sheet)**

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask Thee to stay Close by me forever and love me I pray Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care And fit us for Heaven to live with Thee there. 1 little angel, her tiny wings spread wide, Came flying in the stable door and nestled by my side, "Come and see the Baby," he whispered in my ear, "Come and worship Jesus - Christmas time is here."

1 little angel still had one job to do, To bring the smallest of them all into the manger too!

SONG: "What shall I Give Him?" SONG ON CD

What shall I give Him as small as I am? If I were a shepherd I'd give Him a lamb, If I were a wise man I'd do my part I know what I'll give Him I'll give Him my heart.

What can I give him to show him my love? The stars shine on Him and twinkle above They send me a song that shines in the dark I know what I'll give Him I'll give Him my heart.

SONG: "At Christmas There Are Presents"

At Christmas there are presents underneath the tree Some are big and some are small and some you cannot see, But the best present of all is JESUS, Yes the best present of all is God's son, Yes the best present of all is the one God gave to me, Yes the best present of all is from Him.

SONG: "There was a little Baby"

There was a little Baby Oh my Lord (x.)
Way down in Bethlehem.
They laid Him in a manger Oh my Lord (x.) etc
They named the Baby Jesus Oh my Lord (x.) etc

SONG: "We Wish You A Merry Christmas"

We wish you a Merry Christmas (x3)
And a Happy New Year
Good tidings we bring to you and your kin
Good tidings at Christmas and a Happy New Year.

THANKS ETC

PRESCHOOL FAREWELL SONG:

MUSIC: Feliz Navidah