

Year 7 Christmas Assembly idea

Get a couple of young people to stand at the front—they are Mary and Joseph
Ask Mary to hold a doll very carefully... wrapped up and precious.

Reflect on how simple and beautiful that scene is.

Ask them both to put on over-sized Christmas jumpers, passing the baby
between them

Ask them to put on Christmas hats...

And then give them some other things to hold (out of a large sack)...

A few wrapped presents...

A Christmas cracker or two...

A box of chocolates...

Some brussel sprouts...

And so on, until their hands are full to almost dropping point...

(make sure the things aren't too heavy)

Offer to take the baby away so they can cope better with the other stuff

Then wrap a long length of tinsel around them...

Maybe add a couple of Christmas decorations (e.g. hanging from their ears)?!...

Then, finally, wrap some Christmas lights* around them...

And... after a drum roll... switch the lights on.

It should look like Christmas has been sick on them, and they are struggling to
cope with the overwhelming pressure and glitz.

Look again at the scene, reflect for a moment how the beauty and simplicity were
lost, the baby was forgotten.

Untangle the children, round of applause, then an opportunity to talk about the
nativity scene and pray.



* Make sure you don't use lights that could burn their skin, or place them very carefully. I wonder whether low powered battery fairy lights might be best? Worth doing some good test runs.