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Newsletter 6

Christmas Bazaar

I would like to say a really big thank you to all those who came and supported our Christmas Bazaar on Saturday. Parents, staff and children worked very hard to make this event such a success. The children in each class made the decorations in the hall, the games were organised by Y6, and those parents who worked so hard beforehand also deserve a special mention. Thanks also to those who came along and spent money at the fete. Although the final total is not yet in we are sure we made more than £1000 which is a fantastic achievement. Thank you.

Fund Raising

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Poppy appeal, the school raised £57.35. Also a special thank you also for the contributions and whole shoe boxes that were sent in to school - 35 were collected. The Bags2School also went extremely well this year with double the amount of textiles and shoes usually collected, we are still waiting to hear how much was raised. Thanks also to those who brought Morrison vouchers in. We have ordered several plants for our sensory garden that we are developing- they will arrive in the spring.

Book Fair

It is, once again, time for our Book Fair. The fairs are a valuable source of income for our library - the more books that are sold, the more books can be bought for our pupils.

The children will be introduced to the books in the day on Wednesday 3rd December when they will be able to search through the books and find ones they like. The Fair will then be open to parents on Wednesday 3rd December

and Thurs 4th December from 3.20 -4pm in the school hall so that the books can be purchased.

There are many books to choose from and they would make lovely presents for Christmas!

We look forward to your continued support and hope to gain many new books for our library.

Request from Years 3 and 4

As part of our whole school topic on Christmas, years three and four are focussing on giving. We plan to make a small gift for other children in the school; in order to do this we need lots of glass jars.

Please could you send as many clean glass jars with lids on (labels removed,) to year three or four teachers next week or by Monday 8th at the latest. The jars can be different shapes and sizes but preferably not coloured glass, so any pasta sauce jar, jam jar, pickle jar will do. Many thanks Miss Harris, Miss Pritchard and Mrs Johnstone.

Children led acts of giving

I am really proud of the children at school for their kindness and consideration. I recently received a letter from 'Western Active Stroke Group' mentioning four of our pupils, Jack Buckingham, Oliver Luscombe, Tommy Carter and Jacob Young who on two occasions have raised money towards hiring specialist transport to take members of this group on outings. A quote from the letter stated "*It 's so heart-warming to come across a group of young people who think of others and are prepared to make a difference to their lives, they are a credit to your school and their parents and we felt it was important that you should be aware of four special pupils at your school.*"

I certainly am proud of them-especially as they initiated the fundraising themselves. Well done boys!

This information was shared with the pupils and this, along with our theme of giving has prompted the councils to also think about others. The children have planned a Christmas Jumper Day and soup at the Carol Concert.

Christmas Jumper Day

On Thursday 11th December (the same day as the school Christmas lunch) we will be having a 'Christmas Jumper Day' to raise money for Save the Children. This has been organised by the HAWK council. The children can wear their Christmas jumper to school and make a donation of 50p or £1. Don't worry if you don't have a Christmas jumper you can decorate a plain jumper or wear a Christmas hat!

Hi Council

The Hi Council would like to warm you up at the Key Stage 2 Carol Concert by selling vegetable soup (50p a cup) and this will be in aid of our Dabaso bursary fund. We hope to see you all at the concert on the 15th December.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Mr Holdaway and the Y5 and Y6 choir who despite being tired from the Christmas Fete went on to a concert with the Weston Choral Society on Saturday evening. They sang beautifully and I was very proud of them all. We had several children who sang a solo verse and I had lots of compliments about how well the children sang and behaved. I look forward to hearing you again at the Weston Brass Concert on Sunday 14th at the Winter Gardens!

Weston College

The College for Parents Open Day is taking place at Weston College's Knightstone Campus on Thursday 26 February. Registration is from 9:15 for a 9:30 start. The day will finish by 14:00. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. The college has agreed to run workshops covering the following access courses -

Business

Health and Social Care

Engineering Sciences

Parents can take part in all three workshops, so you should come away with a really good idea of what access courses involve. This will be helpful -even if these are not the areas of specialism that you are particularly interested in.

Please let Mrs Amos/the office know if you are interested in attending this day as soon as possible because I am sure that the spaces will go fast. (This day is especially set up for a small group of schools and I want to ensure we get a good share of the spaces available! It is by invitation only- you CANNOT just turn up on the day!)

Luci Amos

I would be interested in attending the college day.

Signed:

Parent of:
