



Monday 20th November 2017

Dear Parents,

Castleton School Christmas Fayre

This was a really super event with people flocking to the school to eat, drink and take part in our additional fundraising activities. Many thanks to all who helped on the day and contributed in some way. We don't have a final figure yet, but believe it is almost £1900! An amazing amount.

Christmas Concert

Our usual slot at the village hall has been taken by the Peveril Players this year. Our concert will therefore take place in the Methodist Chapel Hall – same day and same time, Thursday 14th December @ 6.30pm.

Collaboration

I am working to extend our collaboration links further by linking with other small schools with whom a working relationship will be mutually beneficial:

- Stoney Middleton School will be joining us for our Christmas Crafts and our balloon workshop. A 'return match' is then planned with Stoney in the spring, yet to be decided.
- I have been speaking to parents and the headteacher from Combs Infant School, both of whom are keen to build a relationship with us. We actually have children who may be transferring to Castleton at the end of year 2. Part of our ideas for building this link is for our year 6 children to become 'buddy partners' with their year 2 children. The first of these activities will be taking place on November 27th. Please see the attached permission slip.

Mindfulness

We have been lucky enough to have been selected to take part in a Mindfulness project. The children will be having an extended Mindfulness lesson on a Thursday morning. Please see the attached letter with further explanation as to what they will be learning in this session.

E-safety Evening

Please find attached our flier for the e-safety information evening. I cannot stress enough how valuable this session is. I urge you to attend if you possibly can.

Yours sincerely,

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(Headteacher)





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Diary Dates - New dates are added in bold. For any events listed, further information will follow in due course.

November

Monday 27th – year 6 to visit Combs School

December

Monday 4th – Combs children to visit Castleton School

Monday 4th – Community event Online Safety Evening

Thursday 7th - Christmas Crafts with Hope Pre-School and Stoney Middleton Primary School

Thursday 7th – Christmas Show – a Balloon Spectacular!

Wednesday 13th - Christmas lunch

Thursday 14th - Christmas play @ Methodist Hall 6.30pm

Monday 18th – Christmas party

Tuesday 19th – End of term service and break up for Christmas holidays



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