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Dear Parents,

In the midst of Christmas madness I am sending you only a brief letter. It's 1:20pm on Friday afternoon and I've only just started it – so the ladies in the office aren't going to be pleased!

Charitable Outreach and Gift Night

Thank you so much for coming to 'Gift Night' in such great numbers. Our new idea of creating Christmas decorations for our tree has worked really well. It looks lovely. Many thanks to Mr Samuel and Miss Debono for supporting their choir and helping them perform on the evening. Well done to the Brass Band who entertained us and played so professionally on the evening as well.

We raised £105 that will be sent to Sifa Fireside Homeless Charity this week, in preparation for Christmas.

We will continue to sell raffle tickets to the children in school and to the adults at the Christmas Plays this week. This money will ensure that we can buy some IT equipment for the school.

The children decided amongst themselves what charities we are sending our Lenten money to; they are:

- (i) The NSPCC/ Child Line - £1000
- (ii) The Guide Dogs for the Blind - £250
- (iii) RSPCA - £250
- (iv) Help the Aged - £500

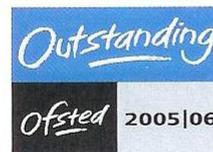
I signed the cheques this afternoon and the School Council are writing letters to the charities to explain why they were chosen. It is very humbling as your children are so generous and kind.

We continue to collect food for Stechford Foodbank and have already got a couple of boxes worth to take up.

Let the celebrations begin

Tuesday 11th December – Year 2 Christmas Play at 2:15pm

Wednesday 12th December – Brass assembly for Year 4, 5 and 6 at 2:15pm





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Wednesday 12th December – Year 3 and 4 Christmas Plays at 7:00pm

Thursday 13th December – Reception/Year 1 Christmas Play at 2:15pm

Friday 14th December – Christmas Jumper Day (wear the jumper over your school uniform)

Friday 14th December – Year 6 Mass at 9:15am followed by Confession for Year 4, 5 and 6

Tuesday 18th December – Year 5 and 6 Carol Service at 6:00pm at Corpus Christi Church

Wednesday 19th December – Christmas Dinner Day (wear your own clothes).

If your child is on sandwiches and you wish them to have, a Christmas Dinner please let the ladies in the office know. If you have to pay, the dinner will be £2.30

Thursday 20th December – Nursery Plays at 10:30am and 2:00pm

Thursday 20th December – Christmas Disco fundraiser – bring dancing clothes to change into £1 entrance.

Friday 21st December – Mass at 9:15am

Friday 21st December – School finishes at 2:00pm

Friday 21st December – Collapse into a heap!

After school clubs

All clubs have now finished for the term. The only ones that are continuing are the Year 6 Booster Lessons on a Tuesday, Thursday and Friday after school.

Attendance

Congratulations to our 100% attendance pupils who went to the cinema on Monday and then may have had a little treat from a fast food outlet! Mr Wilson and Mrs Layton were extremely complimentary of the children. Well done!

We are well aware that this is the time of year for colds, chest infections, tonsillitis and other illnesses but you are aware that I am becoming concerned about attendance. There is a formal letter being sent out tonight from the school on behalf of the Local Authority. Attendance needs to improve.

Some parents will be receiving letters from Mr Wilson inviting them in to school to discuss attendance and ways in which we can help you to improve your child's attendance. If we work together, I am sure we can improve the situation.





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I wish you all a good weekend and I will see you all on Monday – ready for the madness of the last two weeks of term.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Hobbs

