

# Parents' Newsletter



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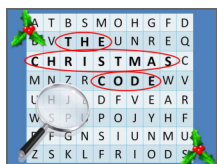
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## CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our 'all new' Home and School Association Christmas Fair, held towards the end of last term, was very well attended and received many compliments, particularly regarding the reindeer!. Over £2,000 was raised through the event, and we extend a big thank you to all those parents who helped organise and run this major fundraiser. Your efforts and commitment are very much appreciated by us all.

The Home and School Association has kindly agreed to fund the cost of a set of 'IPads', which we hope to utilise in a number of areas across the school.

## 'THE CHRISTMAS CODE'



Two large audiences of parents and relatives enjoyed the hugely entertaining performances of 'The Christmas Code' from Year 3

and the School Choir at the end of the autumn term. Congratulations and well done to all involved!

## KEY STAGE TWO PERFORMANCE TABLES

It was gratifying for everyone involved to be included in a list of 'highflying' schools as a result of our 2011 End of Key Stage Assessment tests.

The consistency of our performance over the last three years has been particularly pleasing and places us in an highly enviable position compared to the majority of schools across the country.

## SCHOOL CAR PARK BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

On a number of occasions recently there have been problems caused through inconsiderate parking in the school car park. This has happened most often when parents are dropping children off at 'Firbobs' before school. There is not enough room in the car park to accommodate staff and visitors. We would request that cars are parked in Mill Road for parents who are in the process of leaving children at 'Firbobs'.

## FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

Thanks to your continuing generosity and a wonderful response from our pupils with their individual efforts, we were able to donate over £1,000 to Claire House at the end of last term. Jacob from 5PC, deserves particular mention, as through the sale of his own handmade Christmas cards, he raised in excess of £700! Congratulations to him and all the other individuals and small groups of children who have taken the time and effort to raise much needed funds.

Our School Choir performed at the Anglican Cathedral at the beginning of the Christmas holiday, on what was a highly enjoyable and entertaining evening. We raised nearly £1300 from the sale of tickets from our school. This money, along with other amounts raised, goes to children's charities in the area.

## CHILDREN BEFORE SCHOOL

Our responsibility for children in the school playground commences at 8.50am. May I remind you that until this time, children are not supervised.