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Dear Parents

I can't believe it is now only four weeks before we break up for Christmas, and the Christmas Fayre is only a week away! The run-up to Christmas is such a magical time in school and I can't wait to see the children's festive performances soon.

Attendance and Attitude towards Learning for Last Week

Well done to the classes below for achieving high attendance last week, and to all the children in school for achieving 96.6%.

Last Week's ATL Winners		Weekly Attendance	
FS	RK	3D+3C	99.0%
KS1	2B	4C+5T	98.4%
LKS2	3D	6K	97.9%
UKS2	5T	Whole School	96.6%

ATL Points Cup Winners

Congratulations to Clarissa Y in 3P and Ryan in 6K for earning the most ATL points individually last week in Lower KS 2 and Upper KS 2 respectively.

Children in Need

We enjoyed supporting Children in Need last Friday and the staff and pupils looked fantastic in their spotty clothes. Miss Baker has counted up the money raised, and the grand total is... £781.80, which is a big increase on last year so that is brilliant! Many thanks go to Miss Baker for organising the day, and to you all for your generosity.

Year 6 Class Assemblies



Over the last two weeks, we have been treated to two excellent class assembly performances. First, we had 6B reminding us how incredibly lucky we are to be at school today and not in Victorian times. The children did a great job of sharing their learning about this period

of history in a really fun way and we were thoroughly entertained by all of the actors, in particular Kobie B playing a very convincing Mrs Brown! Last week, we were treated to a very thought-provoking assembly from 6K about Children in Need. The KS2 pupils took part in an interactive performance about the difference between what we want and need, and considered what we really need. Well done to the hard-working Year 6 staff and pupils for such a good effort on your final primary school class assemblies!

Starchaser



BCPS had such an exciting time last week when a rocket appeared at school! Everyone had chance to look at and learn about the rocket and the children thoroughly enjoyed this unique learning experience. During the rocket workshops, children in KS2 got the chance to fire their own mini rockets high into the sky and Reception and KS1 children had a fascinating talk about space travel and even got to see some of their teachers in a spacesuit! We were able to see a rocket launch on Thursday afternoon which was fantastic. Thank you to Mr Ireland for organising this visit and for support from Mr Whittaker over the two days.



Rugby

On Tuesday evening the Year 4 team played Eversfield for their first game of the season. The lead changed hands several times during the match, with outstanding performances from Alex R and James L. At the final whistle just two tries separated the teams. On Wednesday we returned to Eversfield for a Year 5 fixture where we came across a very strong and experienced home side. The boys battled well with Oskar Y and Guy C leading the way in a spirited performance. Both teams worked hard and show great promise for the future.

Library Awards

Last Friday, we were visited by Sarah from Balsall Common library who came to present our pupils with their summer reading awards. An incredible 84 'record-breaking' awards were given out in total; 6 to Reception, 27 to KS1 and 51 to KS2. Well done, children on some incredible reading! The local libraries are running a winter reading award for the first time this year so do visit them to find out more.

Baby news!

Over half term, we heard the wonderful news that Mr Wood became the proud father of a beautiful baby girl, Angela Zhang. Congratulations to him and his wife on her safe arrival and if you see Mr Wood looking a little tired, you'll know why!

Christmas Fayre

Please don't forget that our Christmas Fayre is just one week tomorrow - next Saturday 28th November - and we would love to see as many of you there as possible. Thank you for all your support with donations so far - don't forget its bottles for our final non-uniform day next Friday. I would be really grateful for any cake donations for sale on the refreshment stand so, if you can, please send them in named containers to me prior to the fair. Many thanks as always for your support - the fayre couldn't happen without your donations!

On behalf of Mr Burgess, I must tell you that there are now only 5 Shopping Saturdays until Christmas!

**Have a wonderful weekend,
Miss E Hughes**

Nursery Zig and Zog's Stars of the Week

Miss Sargent's class - Laila P & Joseph G

Mrs Basener & Mrs Parkin's class - Logan E & Tyler W

Robin's Stars of the Week

Trinity P, RW

Charlotte, H, RC

Sofia L, RM

Alfie W, RK

Writers of the Week

Isla M & Harry B, RW

Amber, R, RC

Sean K, RM

Arun B, RK

Reuben J, 1R

Thomas G, 1H

Jake C, 1D

Alex W, 2K

Amira E, 2M

Megan C, 2B

Maths Wizards

Jake B, 1R

Jacob D, 1H

Chase C, 1D

River B, 2K

Max S, 2B

Sophia M, 2B

Good Choice Stars of the Week

Oskar S, 1H

Charlie P, 2K

Matilda D, 3P

Nikita J, 4C

Miles P, 5T

Luke P, 6K

William S, 1D

Jacob M, 2B

Libby R, 3D

Jessica C, 4J

Baley W, 5P

Alice M, 6W

Olivia M, 1R

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Rachel W 3C

Mia H, 4W

Aiden E, 5B

Georgia E, 6B

Emily S, 5B

Helen Lewis Friendship Cup

Lilliana G, 1H

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 24 November	Year 3 to Tesco (one class)
Friday 27 November	Non-school Uniform - Bring a Bottle to School for Christmas Fayre
Saturday 28 November	Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 2 December	10.00am and 2.00pm Nursery Nativity
Friday 4 December	Disco
Monday 7 December	2.00pm Reception Nativity
Tuesday 8 December	2.00pm Year 1 Nativity
Wednesday 9 December	Nursery and Reception to Warwick Arts Centre - The Gruffalo's Child 2.00pm Year 2 Nativity 6.00pm Year 1 Nativity
Thursday 10 December	6.00pm Year 2 Nativity
Friday 11 December	2.00pm Reception Nativity
Monday 14 December	Years 3 & 4 Carol Concerts
Tuesday 15 December	Whole School Christmas Dinner Years 5 & 6 Carol Concerts
Wednesday 16 December	Years 1 - 6 to Leamington Spa Centre Pantomime - Jack & the Beanstalk Christmas Party Day for Nursery and Reception
Friday 18 December	TERM ENDS