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Love Joy and Responsibility

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Newsletter

We have had a great week in school thinking about bullying and what it is. The Behaviour Young Governors and Peer Mentors worked hard to prepare an assembly which they presented on Monday to the whole school. They did a great job of getting the children to think about what bullying is and examples of this. An entertaining role play helped the children to understand that bullying is about an imbalance of power in a relationship and repetitive, intentional unkindness and that bullying is different to being mean and unkind. Thank you to them for their hard work on such an important topic.

As a result of the outcome of the recent parent questionnaire, where a substantial number of parents felt there was bullying in school, an anti-bullying workshop for parents was held by our Educational Psychologist, Rachel Pawsey, on Monday. This was attended by 17 parents and well received by them. On Friday afternoon, it was great to see parents in school seeing what activities the children have been engaged with during the week to help them learn more about bullying and how to manage it.

Final arrangements were sorted for next week's Christmas Fair (Friday 2nd December 3.30-5.30pm) of the FORCE team. Contributions are needed for the following:

- Christmas tree decorations
- Christmas Wrapping paper
- Chocolates and Bottles for the tombola



Further offers of help would be welcomed with open arms! Unfortunately, FORCE is now without a chair person and, as a registered charity, cannot carry on without one. This could be the last event they hold. A letter will be going out about this soon – FORCE do a great job at organising social events and raising much needed funds to enrich your children's education. Please don't let this happen. Someone out there must want to help.

Look at the fantastic hampers for raffle. Thankyou for your generous donations!!

Anti-Bullying Week

Isaiah 58:9-10 (OLD TESTAMENT: PROPHETS)

Stop using cruel words and pointing your finger at others. Take care of the needs of those who are troubled.

DIARY DATES

2nd Dec—Tag Rugby Festival
Mountbatten School 1.30-4pm

2nd Dec—Christmas Fayre
3.30 & Jumper Day

9th Dec—Indoor Athletics
Festival: Yr 3/4/5/6 1.30-4pm

BAG2SCHOOL

Many thanks to all those who brought in donations for our Bag2School collection on Thursday. Together we raised £92.40 for school funds, well done everyone!



Don't worry if you forgot this time, we'll be arranging another collection in the spring to help you get rid of all those outgrown winter clothes .

"The NET Disco"

This coming Tuesday night is the NET Disco at St John's church Hall.

6.00 - 7.15pm for years 3-6,
50p entry, please bring money for refreshments

Andy on behalf of the NET

YOUNG GOVERNORS TRIP TO CEDAR SCHOOL

Cedar School was amazing. All of the children were great fun and loved having us as company. When we arrived we were shown around by the pupils seeing various aspects of the school including their incredible sensory room full of lights, water and other amazing things, and also the library and many other fabulous classrooms. We were amazed by their wide range of resources. When we got back after the fantastic tour of the school we played a game called Botcher which involved wheelchair users and all the pupils were very familiar with the game at hand. When we did 'craft' we made little



Christmas boxes which were decorated with Christmas stickers and filled with chocolate coins. Everyone that went really enjoyed this experience and we hope that we can go back soon!

By Charlotte and Lois

FROM THE PTA.....CHRISTMAS FAIR

Don't forget our Christmas Fair next Friday – come and see Santa, do a spot of Christmas shopping and generally enjoy a fun and festive afternoon. It's not too late to volunteer to help at the event either, please contact the school office or sign up outside your classroom door.

While we hope this event goes well and gets the festive season off to a flying start, it may well be the last event that FORCE is able to organise this academic year. Although we have a number of loyal volunteers, we still need a Chair. Without someone willing to take the reins we are in violation of the requirements of the Charities Commission and may have to dissolve FORCE altogether.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Please can you ensure that you send your Christmas dinner order back to school asap. Many thanks.

FAIRTHORNE MANOR

Photocopiers are very busy printing off the lovely photos that children took on their residential. They are looking forward to sharing these with you soon!

LETTERS SENT OUT THIS WEEK

Year 3/4—Indoor Athletics
Year 5/6— Indoor Athletics
Year 2 HM—Leaving Letter
Whole School—Hampers for Raffle

FOCUS:

**BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR
LEARNING BY STAYING FOCUSED AND
PRODUCING THEIR BEST WORK**

Miss Withers –Jessica A
Miss White- Daisy S
Mrs Phelps—Ellie C
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —Erin B
Mr Warner – Amelia C
Mrs Phillips – Isabelle H
Mrs Alldred— Lia DT
Mrs Mountney— Joseph S
Miss Robus— Maisie G
Miss Hill—Aaliyah BS
Mrs Johnson— Florence S

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Miss Withers –Abigail B
Miss White- Sullivan J
Mrs Phelps—Lily G
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod — Luke W
Mr Warner – Ami-Leigh W
Mrs Phillips – Ashwin T
Mrs Alldred— Owen M
Mrs Mountney— Harry C
Miss Robus— Noah G
Miss Hill— Teoman C
Mrs Johnson— Mia C

DOJO CHAMPION OF THE WEEK

Miss Withers– Emma S
Miss White— Sophie N
Mrs Phelps—
Mrs Hogbin/Mrs Garrod — Ruth H
Mr Warner – Gracie P
Mrs Phillips – Heath S
Mrs Alldred— James C
Mrs Mountney— Henry S
Miss Robus— Mariella A
Miss Hill— Rowan E
Mrs Johnson— Ryan S

STAR WRITER

Miss Withers –Thomas A
Miss White- Katie C
Mrs Phelps—Daniel P
Miss Hogbin/Mrs Garrod —Tiffany M
Mr Warner – Fletcher N
Mrs Phillips – Grace N
Mrs Alldred— Connor S
Mrs Mountney—Layla S
Miss Robus—Ella C
Miss Hill—Willow D
Mrs Johnson— Grace KW