



# The **BROADCAST'**

Newsletter 12: Friday 2nd December 2022

## Dear Families

Yesterday, we put up the Christmas tree at school to mark the beginning of December. It is lovely to see the delight on the children's faces as they see the hall all lit up. We will begin to sing the Christmas songs in assembly too.

The school post box is ready to receive Christmas cards. The envelope must be carefully addressed and include:

- Child's name- First and Surname
- Child's Class

These will be delivered to classes at the end of the school day by the Year 4 post people!

Please be ready to join us for our planned Christmas activities!!!

- Christmas Fayre
- Nativity - Reception parents only

## Christmas Fayre

Please join us, after school, in the Key Stage 2 playground on Friday 9th December.

Young Voices will be singing and you will be able to join in with the lovely activities kindly prepared by our FRIENDS.

There are lots of amazing raffle prizes!

Remember to wear your christmas jumper!

## Christmas Jumper Day

Children are invited to wear their Christmas jumper, instead of their school jumper, on Friday 9th December.

## FRIENDS

### Festive Raffle

Tickets for the raffle have now arrived, with prizes such as tickets to Witcombe Festival, Westonbirt, Puzzlewood and many more. These have been sent home with your children. Please keep an eye out for them and let us know if you'd like any more.

### Christmas clothing swap

Tues 6th December, at the start and end of school. Please donate clean Christmas clothing between Mon 28th Nov and Mon 5th Dec. There will be no charges at the swap, only buckets for donations.

## Big Write

This week the title is 'Dear Santa'

Please support your child talking through their ideas.

Well done to Jenny in Year 6 for taking part in a Ballroom and Latin dance medalist competition. She has qualified to compete at Blackpool Tower Ballroom next year! Congratulations!



### Reception Nativity

Friday 9th December- 9.15am

Reception families are invited to come and enjoy their children's Nativity. Refreshments will be served whilst the class put on their costumes. We ensure we don't put unnecessary stress on them so we don't hurry them. We don't want stage fright on their first major performance!

Thank you for the support you have given with costumes.

### Sing Along

On the last day of term we want to leave with festive cheer!

The children will have a special end of year assembly in the hall with a theme of the '12 Days of Christmas'.

**Please remember to pick your children up at 2pm.**

### Year 5/6 Music Concert

Year 5 and 6 have been fortunate to have had a whole term of clarinet and samba lessons. They are proud of their progress and welcome their parents to a mini concert at 2.30pm on Thursday 8th December.

**Please come to Reception at 2.30pm and we will share their music.**

### Reminder

ParentMail will be replaced by SchoolGateway from 3rd January 2022. We fully encourage you to download the app. We have sent app invites to all parents. Please report if you haven't received this.



Year 1 shared in a little bit of community Christmas joy when they visited the little tree on the green, planted by the Parish Council. We added our own Castle Hill Christmas baubles to it!

- Thursday December 8th**  
2.30pm Y5/6 music performance

- Friday 9th December**  
PAWS in  
Christmas Jumper Day- Wear your school trousers/skirt with your jumper  
Reception Nativity  
FRIENDS Christmas Fayre after school in the KS2 playground

- Tuesday 13th December**  
Christmas Dinner and party - invites will be sent by class teachers

- Friday 16th December**  
Sing a long 1pm-2pm - Children only

**Friday 16th December - Term finishes at 2pm**

- Tuesday 3rd January 2023**  
Term 3 starts

- All our school policies are available on our website at:  
<https://www.castlehill.gloucs.sch.uk/>