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Dear Mums, Dads & Carers,

Christmas Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who helped in anyway with the Christmas Fair – with everyone's help it made the fair a great success and there was a really good atmosphere about the place. Year 5 and 6 did an excellent job in setting up and running their own stalls in the classrooms. The amount raised is yet to be confirmed but we will let you know in next week's newsletter.

As always we are really grateful for the help we receive from parents and friends, especially our very small group of P.T.F.A . volunteers, the majority of whom are parents in Year 6 and it will be difficult to run similar events next year unless more parents come forward. Please do consider getting involved in forthcoming events and meetings.

Clubs

Please note there will be no Art club on Thursday 7th December and no Gardening club on Friday 8th December.

During the last week of term (18th – 21st December) there will be no clubs.

JB's will run as normal.

Whole School Christmas Lunch.

Once again, the Glastonbury Festival Charity has very kindly funded our whole school Christmas lunch and we are pleased to be able to offer **every child a free Christmas lunch** on Wednesday 20th December. Please complete the attached menu form advising us of your child's choice and return it to the class teacher by Friday 8th December.

Road Safety Meeting Wednesday 13th December 9 a.m.

The first road safety meeting was well attended and really positive with lots of good ideas being put forward. Even if you were not able to come along to the previous meeting please do come along next Wednesday and join others in trying to raise awareness of road safety around school and in our town.

Year 5 Christmas Quiz and Baby photo competition

This year, Year 5 have created a Trivia Quiz for all the family. 5 (easy) questions, available from the school office or Year 5 staff, £1 to enter. Please can forms be returned by Friday, 15th December. Prizes for the winners will be announced on Wednesday 20th December.

In addition to this, Year 5 have put together a montage of staff baby photos for you to guess 'who's who'. If you would like to have a go you will find the board in the playground at 3.15 p.m. over the coming few days. All monies raised will go towards Year 5's residential trip to Kilve Court in May 2017.

Winter Clothing.

A large number of children didn't have coats in school today. As the weather is due to get colder please could you ensure your child/ren have coats and hats, scarves and gloves. There may be occasions when children are not allowed out to play if they do not have a coat.

Lost Property

We have a huge amount of items of clothing that have accumulated in our lost property cupboard. Anything named will be returned to its rightful owner and the remainder put on display in the school hall. Each class will be given the opportunity to come and look through the lost property and parents may do so after school tomorrow (Tuesday 5th December) and again on Tuesday 12th December. Any items not retrieved after that will be recycled.

Late Arrivals

Please may I remind all parents that the school day starts at 8.45 a.m. and the register closes at 9.15 a.m. Any child arriving after the gates close at 9 a.m. must be brought to the office via the front entrance of the school and the parent must sign the child in, giving the reason for lateness.

Christmas Post Box

The Christmas post box will be available from Wednesday 6th December in the school foyer for the children to send each other cards. Please could you make sure that all cards are addressed with the child's full name and class:

Cat	Unicorn
Owl	Chameleon
Spider	Tortoise
Peacock	Leopard

With the increased amount of postage we would be very grateful if you could save any used stamps and bring them into school as we are collecting them for the Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.



Key Christmas Events.

- Thursday 14th December - Glastonbury Holy Thorn Ceremony Yr4 & Yr6 attending
- Monday 18th December - School Carol Service in St Benedict's Church 2pm
- Tuesday 19th December - Yr3 Nativity Play in St Benedict's Church 6.30pm
- Wednesday 20th December - Whole School Christmas lunch. We will also be supporting the Save The Children Christmas Jumper Appeal. Anyone wanting to wear a Christmas jumper or Christmas outfit can for a £1.
- Thursday 21st December - Class parties and the last day of term.

Lunch orders

Lunch orders are due in tomorrow for the next 3 weeks. The menu and payment form is available on the school website: <http://stbenedictsjuniorschoolglastonbury.org/>

Please note Beech Catering is no longer able to accept cheques – payment may be made by cash (correct money in a clearly labelled, sealed envelope) or BACs payment preferred. Even if your child is entitled to free school meals you must complete an order form - **without an order form your child cannot be catered for during this 3 week period.**

Best wishes

Steve Gumm

The week ahead

Tuesday	5 th December	DASH club (8.00am – 8.30am, 12.15 – 12.45 – Debating club, 3.15 – 4.00 – Netball club and Year 5 football club. Lost property on display in the hall 3.15
Wednesday	6 th December	DASH club (8.00am – 8.30am), Year 4 swimming, 3.15 – 4.00 – Glee club and Lower school football club, 3.15 – 4.15 Chess club.
Thursday	7 th December	DASH club (8.00am – 8.30am), Year 4 trip to Bristol Museum, 3.15 – 4.00 BIG Art. <u>NO Art club.</u>
Friday	8 th December	DASH club (8.00am – 8.30am, No Gardening club.
Monday	11 th December	DASH club (8.00am – 8.30am), 3.15–4.00 – Cross Country club and choir.

Christmas Lunch 2017

Roast Local Turkey
with Chipolata and Bacon Roll,
Sage and Onion Stuffing Balls, Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Peas
and Brussels Sprouts
and Rich Turkey Gravy

or

Goats cheese and Red Onion Tart

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Christmas Pudding with Creamy Custard

or

Fruit Slice



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My child.....Class.....would like to have a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.

Please indicate whether meat option  or Vegetarian

Choice of pudding:  
Christmas Pudding with creamy custard  or Fruit Slice

**OR**

My child will be bringing their own packed lunch

Signed.....Parent/Guardian

