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Dear parents

RE: UPDATES

There are still almost two weeks until our next monthly newsletter... but it is a really busy time in school so I'm taking the opportunity today to write with some important updates which you need to know about now!

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

As you'll know, we've asked for donations for our famous Christmas Hampers! Bottles of booze, chocolates, teas, coffees, non - perishables, toiletries... all will be gladly accepted. We usually build three hampers, red, gold and green, so if items vaguely hint at one of those colours, all the better! If you feel you have something to give, we are happy to start accepting donations immediately - just give them to Miss Webb on the front desk.

We haven't had many donations yet, and we like to get them made up and ready for display for the Christmas Fair which is only a fortnight away! Please do have a look around for something you can send in to help make this year's hampers very special!

Tickets for the hampers go on sale at the Christmas Fair and will continue to be on sale throughout the Christmas Productions with the draw taking place on Tuesday 13th December straight after the Y5/Y6 show!

CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

Christmas is just around the corner! From Thursday 1st December children will be allowed to wear Christmas Jumpers to school for the remainder of the term. The usual school trousers, skirts and shoes still apply until the last week of term which will be a complete non-uniform week!

COFFEE AND CHAT

Have a coffee on us - we'll have a refreshments station set up by the community entrance from 3pm on Friday 25th Nov. Come and have a cuppa before you pick up the kids - a great chance for all parents to have a coffee and a chat!

UNIFORM EXCHANGE

Don't forget about our stock of pre-loved uniform. We keep this in school and parents can request items such as cardigans, jumpers, trousers - we even have some coats! There are also occasions when we'll be able to let parents pop down and see what we have - just ask Miss Webb on the desk.

On Friday this week, at our Coffee and Chat event, we'll run one of our regular uniform exchanges. We'll put out the pre-loved stock we have, and parents can swap this for uniform their children have grown out of or simply take uniform if they have a need for it. No charge, but we will have a donations tin in case anyone is able to contribute towards school funds.

BOOK EXCHANGE

Got any used books gathering dust at home? Fancy updating your reading material for the festive period? Like to help raise some funds for Laxey School?

Parent Governor Libby Pinnington has organised a book exchange to coincide with this week's Coffee and Chat event. We're asking for donations of unwanted books (in good condition, can be for grown-ups or children) which should be dropped off to school between Monday and Thursday. We'll get them all organised and out for display on Friday. Simply come along and swap a book for one of yours, or take some in exchange for a small donation which will go towards school funds. Any books left over will be available for sale / swap at the Christmas Fair.

CHRISTMAS DINNER DAY

We will serve a Christmas Lunch on Friday 16th December to all children who usually have a school dinner. If your child doesn't usually have school dinner but would like a Christmas lunch, please send an email to the school by Monday 5th December. Payment of $\pounds 2.35$ can be made on ParentPay or by cash /cheque before the end of term.

SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR

Activities and dates for the diary come thick and fast at this time of year! Please keep an eye on the calendar on the school website homepage which is always kept up to date.

With very best wishes

Mr M Kelly Executive Headteacher