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**Events Over the Week**

Fri, 25<sup>th</sup> Reception Class Tea  
Fri, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec NESAs Class Tea

**Winter Fair**

Thank you to everyone who made the Winter Fair a huge success. We raised **£5,500**, which is amazing. Thanks to Josie, Tony and all the volunteers for all your hard work setting up, running all the stalls and clearing up at the end. Year 6 did a great job with their games and given all the noise in the top hall, they were having a blast while raising over £800 for their Leavers' Fund.

**Crackers** - Well done to the winners of the cracker competition: Clara in 1K, Tobias in 2E and William in 4W

**School Vote** - We asked visitors to the Fair to vote on what new items NESAs should buy for the school and the vote was overwhelmingly in favour of new play equipment. You will see this in the new year.

**Raffle** - There was great excitement when Ms Ray drew the raffle winners and all those who won a prize and weren't there have been contacted. We are particularly grateful for all the donations to the raffle. We also want to thank Benham & Reeves and Cass Art for supporting the Fair.

**Tea towels** - As we expected, the tea towels have been hugely popular, so much so that we have sold out of the Yr2, Yr3 and Yr4 design. We can do a second print run, but we would need to take advance orders to make this worthwhile. Please contact Catherine, the NESAs Chair, if you are interested. We will continue to sell the younger and older year designs at class teas and in the playgrounds up to Christmas.

Thanks again to everyone!

Catherine NESAs

**PS A timely reminder with Black Friday tomorrow and Christmas approaching....**Remember NESAs is registered with **TheGivingMachine** which means you can help raise much needed funds for the school when you are doing your online shopping through **TheGivingMachine** website. The following link will take you straight to our page [http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/beneficiary.php?ben\\_id=61172](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/beneficiary.php?ben_id=61172)

**TheGivingMachine** is a not for profit online fundraising website that enables online shoppers to give cash donations to UK schools & charities, for free. There are over three hundred companies linked to this site, all of which donate a percentage of any sales. Companies include John Lewis, Amazon, Debenhams, Boots, Not on the High Street, Argos, Tesco, Waitrose, House of Fraser, Gap, ToysRUs, Smyths and M & S.

When you buy online via **TheGivingMachine**, a sales commission is received from the participating shop. You are buying the same products, at the same price, on the same shopping websites as if you went direct but the difference is; by shopping via **TheGivingMachine** you generate free cash donations for the school at no extra cost to you personally.

**A Celebration of New End Music at Christmas**

As the whole school production has been changed to the end of the academic year, the school is going to hold two concerts in December. These concerts will be performed at the Heath Street Baptist Church with each class performing a song and musical performances from both the KS1 and KS2 choirs. The following days have been allocated for the different classes' involvement.

Tues, 6<sup>th</sup> December                      Nursery, RS, 1D, 2E, 3P, 4W, 5H, 6J

Wed, 7<sup>th</sup> December                      RM, 1K, 2N, 3C, 4T, 5W, 6S

Performances will start at 2.15pm. Tickets will be sent home closer to the date.

To help get in the festive mood, children are asked to wear Christmas themed jumpers / t-shirts / dresses or their brightest and best clothes for the performances.

## Celebrating Attendance and Punctuality

Here is last week's attendance and punctuality for all classes from Reception to Year 6.

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
RM	96.27%	1.65%	3 (1)
RS	94.13%	1.13%	4 (2)
1D	96.24%	0.14%	1 (1)
1K	97.26%	0.21%	1 (1)
2E	96.45%	0.15%	2 (2)
2N	95.00%	0.54%	7 (4)

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
3C	96.21%	0.43%	10 (6)
3P	95.59%	0.14%	1 (1)
4T	95.55%	0.46%	5 (4)
4W	94.98%	0.75%	3 (3)
5H	95.81%	1.19%	9 (3)
5W	95.35%	0.65%	6 (4)
6J	94.43%	0.57%	5 (2)
6S	95.58%	0.44%	4 (3)

Attendance across the school the week before half term was 95.01%, with an unauthorised absence level of 0.41%. Attendance to date this year is 95.64%, with an unauthorised absence level of 0.58%. Parents and carers are reminded that any absence from school is considered an absence on your child's record.

There were 61 lates last week (11 less than last week) involving 37 children throughout the school (11 less than last week).

**An interesting piece of information...If children are to achieve their potential, good attendance and punctuality are critical. The link between attendance and achievement is well documented. Figures from the DFE demonstrate this very clearly. Its most recent study on this matter found that in general the higher the percentage of sessions missed across the key stage, the lower the likely level of attainment at the end of KS2. In particular, pupils with no absence are 1.6 times more likely to achieve the expected level or above than pupils that missed 15-20 per cent of all sessions.**

### 2016-2017 Dates for your Diary

Tues, 6 <sup>th</sup> December	A Celebration of New End Music Nursery, RS, 1D, 2E, 3P, 4W, 5H, 6J
Wed, 7 <sup>th</sup> December	A Celebration of New End Music RM, 1K, 2N, 3C, 4T, 5W, 6S
Tues, 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Fri, 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Autumn Term - 1.30pm finish
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec - 2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Christmas Holidays
Tues, 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	INSET DAY
Wed, 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Children return for the start of Spring Term

### Christmas Lunch at New End

If your child normally has packed lunch but you would like them to have Christmas lunch on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, you will need to let the school know by NEXT **TUESDAY**. Children who normally have packed lunch in Reception, Year One and Year Two classes do not need to pay as they are part of the governments' initiative for free meals but parents must let us know so that a lunch can be ordered. For children in Years Three to Six the cost will be **£2.34** and should be paid to the office in a marked envelope with your child's name on it.

### Camden Sport4All Football Tournament

A team from New End recently participated in the Camden Sport4All Indoor 6-A-Side Girls Football Tournament at Talacre and all the girls did very well, winning three of their five games. Results were as follows: lost to Gospel Oak 1-0, beat St. Aloysius 2-0, beat Primrose Hill 1-0, lost to Rhyl 2-0 and beat Torriano 1-0. Well done to all the girls in the team: Samantha, Maizi, Amina, Leila, Stella and Lola-Rose (all in year 5). Thanks to Tom Buzzard for managing the team. **Steve Buzzard**

### House Point Competition

Congratulations to Fenton who won last week's house competition. Well done to all those children who received a house badge last week. Keep up your efforts everyone to help your team!

### And Finally

Thank you to everyone in NESAs for organising such a great Winter Fair. The support of parents is very much appreciated.

Karyn Ray      Headteacher