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Our Woodland Area

At Castle Hill we are very lucky to have our woodland area where the children can learn and play in the outdoors whilst safely supervised. Our Forest Schools coordinator, Kerry Gough, regularly takes Nursery and Reception children into the area to learn bush crafts, climb trees and work with ropes and shelters. In the near future, Kerry will be taking groups from across the school for more Forest School sessions.

The safety and wellbeing of our children is always our priority and risk assessment is a big part of Forest Schools. Appropriate supervision when using our outdoor areas is essential. We understand that the children are keen and enjoy using the equipment and going in the woodland areas.

Internet in school

We currently still have limited access to the internet in school. If you need to make contact with us, please do so via telephone or in person to the office. We hope to resolve this problem in the near future. Thank you.

Christmas decorations

The children have done a fabulous job of decorating the school this year. Our theme is traditional red, gold and green and the variety of creative ideas on display is fantastic. You will have the opportunity to see our tree and all the decorations on Friday 15th December at our Christmas Fair.

Christmas Enterprise

This year's Christmas fair will be hosted by the PFA on Friday 15th December. This year, the children from every class will be taking part in an Enterprise event and will create items to sell. Their class will then get to choose what happens with the money raised. During afternoon, the children will have the opportunity to meet Santa Claus in his grotto - more details to follow.

Trip to the Hippodrome

Just a reminder that the children will be walking to the Hippodrome Theatre on Thursday 14th December in the morning to watch 'A Muppet's Christmas Carol'. The cost is £2.00.

Car Park

Just a reminder that the car park is for school staff only. Please do not park your car as it is private property. Should there be an accident you may not be insured. Children walk across the car park to the buses and we have after school clubs until 4:30pm. With these very dark nights it is imperative that I keep the children and staff safe.

Key Stage 2 Christmas

Carol Concert

Letters went out this week with the final details of our annual Christmas Carol concert. The children have been practising lots and are sounding beautiful. This year we have: a performance by our Castle Hill choir, a violin trio, solos and duets and as ever, our wonderful Year 3s in delightful nativity costumes!

Date: Tuesday 12th December
Starts: 6pm
Ends: 6:45pm - 7pm (approximately)
Year 3: Please arrive at 5:30pm
Years 4, 5 and 6: Please arrive at 5:50pm

Important dates this term

Date	Event
Tue 12 th Dec	6.00pm KS2 Carol Concert - St Mary's
Wed 13 th Dec	9.15am Reception Carols and Crafts
Thur 14 th Dec	Year 1-6 Muppet Movie, Hippodrome
Fri 15 th Dec	3.30- 5.00pm Christmas Fair
Mon 18 th Dec	Nursery Christmas Performance
Tue 19 th Dec	KS1 and Reception Nativity - Hippodrome
Wed 20 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
Fri 22 nd Dec	School Closes for Christmas

Shoebox Appeal

The School Council would like to say a huge 'thankyou' to everyone who brought in donations for this year's showbox appeal. The children worked tirelessly to assemble the boxes and in the end managed to put together an incredible total of 78! Well done! ☺ Thank you to Mrs Bardsley for organising this event.

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Christmas Fair

Our annual PFA Christmas Fair returns!
Details below:

Date: Friday 15th December

Time: 3:30pm - 5pm

Stalls and attractions include:

- * Visit Santa!
- * Christmas crafts
- * Christmas gifts
- * Chocolate tombola
- * Hamper raffle
- * Target game
- * Teas, coffee, mulled wine and cakes
- * Class enterprise stalls
- * Christmas bird feeders

Help welcomed!

- Setting up stalls from 1:30pm
- Manning stalls from 3:30pm
- Bring in your Christmas baking

Events at the Piece Hall

We're fast approaching Christmas and The Piece Hall have an exciting events programme planned. They will host a 30ft Christmas tree, a beautiful Spiegeltent (circus-style big top theatre) and a Hygge Tipi - a cosy tent decorated with sparkling lights where you can enjoy a warming hot chocolate or mulled wine.

Spiegeltent shows

Come and watch a show! Choose from A Selection of Stories from Around the World, Sarah & Duck's Big Top Birthday and Martin 'Bigpig' Mor: Funny Stuff for Happy People.

Uniform Orders

The deadline for ordering new uniform is Thursday 14th December. Please contact the office if you would like a form.

End of term payments

As we are nearing the end of a school term, please can you pay any outstanding monies (dinners, WAC, etc.) Thank you.

Attendance

The best attending classes this week were:

In KS1: 1/2S with 99.2%.

In KS2: 4/5C with 95.2%.

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Mrs. Janet Leggett, Headteacher