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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who came to represent the school at the Rickshaw Challenge event yesterday evening. I was very proud of our children - some of whom you may have spotted live on the One Show! Thank you too for all your donations for Children in Need today. We will let you know next week how much we have raised.

Our poppy collection raised a fantastic £143.64 this year for the Royal British Legion Appeal. That's a record we think.

Class assembly - Year 4

Year 4 put on a 'wizard' of an assembly on Thursday, taking us back in time to the Stone Age and the Roman invasion, through to the much more recent times of the pop band Abba. Their rendition of Mamma Mia had everyone's feet tapping! A great uplifting assembly. Thank you Year 4. Next Thursday 24th Year 5 will host the last of this term's class assemblies.

Hotpot Opera comes to Duxford!

We were delighted to welcome Hotpot Opera for the second year. They treated us to a modern twist on Romeo and Juliet, with songs from West Side Story woven into a very interactive performance. Our school certainly has performing arts talents - children and adults alike! Great fun was had by all.

Cambridge United assembly

Thank you to our Mr Campany from Cambridge United who did a very instructive assembly on being a good sport and working in a team.

School library

A huge thank you to Luciana Ferreira-Day and her team of FoDs helpers, who have worked so hard to get all the library books catalogued onto our wizzy new library system. It won't be long now before the children can start borrowing books and using it properly as a lending library.

Grandparents' Day - Friday 25 November

Our annual Grandparents' Day is next Friday and a letter is going out today inviting grandparents along. Following the resounding success of this event in previous years, we are organising the day into two sessions, to enable as many grandparents as possible to attend. There is a choice of 10.45-11.45 am or 1.152.15 pm. Please return the reply slip to let us know which session you will be attending. The Key Stage 2 playground will be open for parking from 10.30 am to 11.55 am and from 1.00 pm to 2.30 pm.

Grandparents will be able to visit children in their classes, enjoy some singing and have a cup of tea or coffee. This event is just for grandparents - I'm sorry but we are not able to accommodate any other family members, including parents and younger children. This is because it is a special day just for grandparents to celebrate their grandchildren's work and spend time in school with them.

Children's Christmas cards

The children have brought home samples of Christmas cards they have designed and are available to buy. Please could we have the orders back by Tuesday 22nd November as time is very tight. The cards can still be ordered directly from the company after that date.

Tempest photographs

Please return your order envelopes to school by Wednesday 23rd November to be sure of catching the courier collection. Orders received after that date will need to go directly to Tempest.

Yours sincerely

Debbie Gould *Headteacher*

A message for Gym Club users

Mrs Baker has a bad back at the moment and is really struggling to put out the mats and apparatus by herself. Please could any parents that are available at around 3.05-3.15 pm on a Tuesday pop in and help her? This can be on a rota basis so that it doesn't fall to the same people each week. Thank you.

DX Holiday Club - Christmas holidays

The DX Club will be running a holiday club at Hinxton Village Hall on the following days during the Christmas holidays: 21^{st} , 22^{nd} and 23^{rd} December; 3^{rd} and 4^{th} January. Earlybird offer of £22 per day if you sign up quickly. Sibling discounts and half day options available. For further details please contact Lisa on thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk.

Lunches for week beginning 21 November 2016

	Red Option	Green Option (usually Vegetarian)	Blue Option (Light bite)
Monday	Beef lasagne	Sweet potato & chickpea curry	Egg & cress baguette
Tuesday	Chicken & sweetcorn pie	Neopolitan pasta	Jacket potato with beans
Wednesday	Ham & tomato pizza	Cheese & tomato pizza	Jacket potato with tuna
Thursday	Roast turkey	Vegetable samosas	Ham salad baguette
Friday	Fish fingers & chips	Spanish frittata & chips	Sausages under wraps

Diary Dates

Thursday 24 November, 9.05 am	Year 5 class assembly	
Friday 25 November	Grandparents' Day	
	10.45 am or 1.15 pm	
Friday 2 December. 4.00-6.00 pm	Christmas Fair	
Thursday 8 December, 9.30 am & 6.00 pm	Reception/KS1 nativity performances	
Tuesday 20 December	Autumn term closes. Carols in school 2.00	
	pm	
Wednesday 4 January 2017	Professional day – school closed to pupils	
Thursday 5 January	School reopens for spring term	
Monday 13 to Friday 17 February	Half-term	
Friday 31 March	Spring term closes	
Tuesday 18 April	Professional day – school closed to pupils	
Wednesday 19 April	School reopens for summer term	
Monday 1 May	May Day - school closed	
Monday 8 to Thursday 11 May	SATs week for Year 6	
Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 May	Year 5 to Eaton Vale	
Monday 22 to Wednesday 24 May	Year 6 to Manor Adventure	
Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June	Half-term	
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New entries to the diary are in bold.