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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much for all your support and understanding this half term with the changes we have had to make because of the rise in Covid-19 cases across our school community. Despite the situation, we continue to make the most of our time in school with the children. This letter is just to let you know about a few extra highlights before we break up for the school holidays next Friday 17th December.



Christmas Jumper Day

We are all enjoying fun today wearing our Christmas jumpers and festive clothes to help raise money for Save the Children! Thank you for your donations. If you have not donated yet and would like to, please go to the Save the Children just giving page or bring in your donations next week. [Save the Children just giving page](#)



Our Wonderful Rights Champs



young Rights ambassadors was quite breath-taking and we are looking forward to taking our Rights Roadshow to parents, carers and Governors, next term. Please watch this space for dates!

Beaver Road Rights Champs showed us just how committed they are to **Participation** by flying the UNCRC **Article 12** flag and delivering staff training, this week. Article 12 says that **children** and young people have the human right to have opinions and for these opinions to be heard and taken seriously. With this in mind, our Junior reps co-created an hour-long workshop for teachers on concepts such as having a Rights-based culture; preserving the dignity of all; unpicking the difference between equality, equity and reality....whilst throwing in a few sustainability goals too! The eloquence and sensitivity of our



Beaver Road Choir



We are so proud of our fabulous choirs who performed brilliantly at the Bridgewater Hall and Manchester Cathedral this week. Our Choirs are always in high demand for events and concerts, and we are delighted that our Junior Choir will be involved in the Live Blue Peter Christmas Special again this year! This has become somewhat of a tradition having taken part in this for the last five years. So please tune in to **CBBC on Thursday, 16th December @ 5:30pm** to hear our children sing!



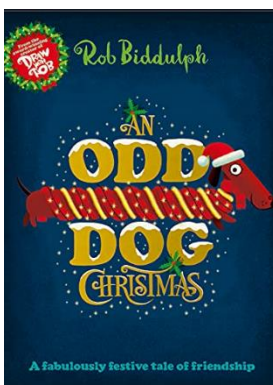
Christmas Parties – Wednesday 15th December

All children are invited to attend school in their party clothes on Wednesday. The teaching team will provide party food in the afternoon for the children. However, we are asking for donations towards this. Please make a donation to your class teacher as soon as possible.

One of our parents, Sally, is raising money for The Christie Hospital by wearing sparkly clothes and glitter every day in December. In support of this, and to help raise money for The Christie, we are inviting all the children to wear some glitter and something sparkly for party day on Wednesday 15th December. This is also a non-uniform day. Please click the following link to give any donations you would like to support The Christie charity on this day. [Just Giving Link for Sally Sparkles](#)

Please also check your child's seesaw/tapestry account at the end of the day on Wednesday 15th for your child's class special festive video for you to enjoy!

Book competition



If you have not seen this already, please check your class Seesaw and Tapestry pages for information (a video from Mrs Noden) about a brilliant book competition. Thanks to our fabulous PTA, you could win a signed copy of Rob Biddulph's brand new book!

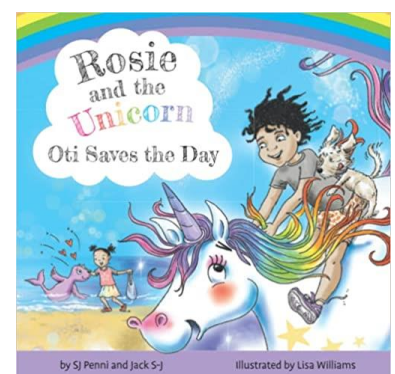
We are asking the children to record a 60-second video about a book character they love. They can make it as creative as they like such as acting, singing or reading. The responses so far have been amazing and we look forward to seeing many more! The deadline is Thursday 16th December, so get busy recording this weekend!

Rosie and the Unicorn

This is the next instalment in the Rosie book series, which is written by Sally Penni and her son Jack. It is a lovely story and promotes the Global Goals. It is out now and is available to order through Parentpay.

Sally is donating £1 from books bought by school parents and carers to the PTA as well as 50p to our local charities. So please help if you can.

Many thanks to Sally who has also donated 10 copies to our PTA Christmas raffle!



End of term and return to school in January

Please do not forget that the children finish school at the end of the day next Friday 17th and will return on Tuesday 4th January 2022. Due to the current situation with Covid-19 and uncertainties with the Omicron variant, all schools are being asked by the DFE to prepare for any possible changes in public health advice and ensure they are well prepared for any future changes that will apply to schools from the beginning of January. Next week we will plan for various eventualities, including a return to working within 'bubbles' and the possibility of returning to remote education if essential. We will keep you updated via School Spider at the beginning of the year if there are any changes that we must introduce from the 4th January. We all hope it does not come to this, but we will be prepared.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your families a peaceful Christmas break and all the very best for the New Year. Once again, we have all experienced a year like no other. However, despite the challenges, our school community has pulled together and demonstrated kindness, tolerance and resilience beyond measure. Thank you!

Best wishes,



Mrs Liz Hardy
Executive Headteacher

