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# BEAVER ROAD M20

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Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin the final week of this term, I would like to thank you once again for all your support and many generous donations throughout the term. There are also a few extra events and additional information to let you know about this week.

## Fundraising

The PTA have been amazing as always and with your help, have raised an incredible £8,620 this Christmas! We know that the children have thoroughly enjoyed the many wonderful activities the PTA have inspired and provided this term, so thank you for getting involved. Huge thanks to Sam Crowe and Kate Peacock who have been superb in leading the PTA over the last two years. As they step down, we are in need of a new parent chair (or co-chairs) to lead our PTA into next year. If you are interested, please contact Sam and Kate at [beaverroadfundraisers@outlook.com](mailto:beaverroadfundraisers@outlook.com) or get in touch with our school office.

In addition, your kind donations have hugely benefitted local and national charities. These include your donations to local foodbanks.



- For **YOUNG MINDS** we raised £525.05
- For **MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT** we raised £95.25
- On World Children's Day, we raised £215.50 for **BBC Children in Need** we raised £1091.28



and £215.42 for

**42<sup>ND</sup> STREET**

We know there were also many more donations made directly online.



## The Christie Concert

Over the last few years, our school choir has had the privilege of being involved in The Christie Concert at Manchester Cathedral. Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, this has not been possible to go ahead as usual this year. However, we are delighted to be part of their virtual

**M20 Learning Trust**



concert this **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm** instead with Class 6T.

To access your link to attend, please see the poster attached with all the details or visit <https://www.christie.nhs.uk/the-christie-charity/christmasshow> If you are able to attend and make a donation, it will be appreciated very much.

In addition, one of our parents 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 16th December. This is also a non-uniform day. Please send in any donations you would like to support The Christie charity on this day.

### Events this week



We are very excited that Class 5R were invited to film for the Blue Peter Christmas Special this year.

The children were filmed in school last week, so please look out for them at the

Christmas special show! The date is yet to be announced.



As an end of term treat for our Key Stage 2 children, the PTA have kindly offered to pay for a virtual poetry visit from Dominic Berry for all the children. Dominic is an **award-winning poet**. He was 2017 Glastonbury Festival Poet in Residence, winner of the 2020 and 2017 Saboteur 'Best Spoken Word Artist' award, and has toured his verse across USA, Canada, India, New Zealand, Australia, South America and Europe.



Our Key Stage 1 and Early Years children look forward to a visit from the Peoplescape Theatre. They will be giving a performance of The Magic Porridge Pot.



We are so sorry that we are not able to invite you into school for our usual festive activities. As an alternative, please look out on Seesaw and Tapestry for your child's class virtual performance – we hope you enjoy them! The staff team have also put a fun festive video together for the children. This is available to view on the front page of our website or through

the following link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z6K6uDL0hs4>

I am pleased to let you know that we have received four nominations for the Parent Governor role we have advertised. When we return to school in January, we will send all the information you need for the Parent Governor election.

## End of term dates and Covid-19 arrangements

Please do not forget that the children finish school at the end of the day this Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and will return on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January. In line with Track and Trace expectations for all schools, if your child has any Covid-19 symptoms within 48 hours after they have finished school on Thursday, please ensure they are tested and inform the school via the admin email address [admin@brps.net](mailto:admin@brps.net) This email address will be monitored daily until Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December for Covid-19 cases only. If your child is identified as having close contact with a confirmed infected person, you will be contacted by email from the school by Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> December. Please note that if your child becomes unwell after the evening of Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December, you do not need to inform school.

Finally, I would like to wish you and your families a peaceful Christmas break and all the very best for the New Year. This year has been a year like no other, but despite the challenges we have faced, it has been encouraging to see how kind and supportive our school community can be.

Take care and keep safe,



Mrs Liz Hardy  
Executive Headteacher



### **Article 9 (separation from parents)**

Children must not be separated from their parents against their will unless it is in their best interests (for example, if a parent is hurting or neglecting a child). Children whose parents have separated have the right to stay in contact with both parents, unless this could cause them harm.

### **Article 10 (family reunification)**

Governments must respond quickly and sympathetically if a child or their parents apply to live together in the same country. If a child's parents live apart in different countries, the child has the right to visit and keep in contact with both of them.

### **Article 11 (abduction and non-return of children)**

Governments must do everything they can to stop children being taken out of their own country illegally by their parents or other relatives, or being prevented from returning home.