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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been another wonderful week at school with each day providing some Christmas excitement. On Monday the children had a fantastic time watching "Mother Goose". It was a great show and the children were really involved.

Tuesday saw Santa's annual visit to school. We were delighted that he was able to make time in his hectic schedule! He managed to visit each class to deliver a pre-Christmas treat.

Wednesday was party day! The children did brilliantly to ensure that the parties went smoothly. Thank you for all of your donations to the day. It was great to see them all having such a fabulous time.

Today has been Christmas Jumper day. The children look brilliant and all donations will go towards books for the new school library. We will be showing staff how to operate the library computer on our INSET day and will then gradually introduce the system to each class next term.

We hope that you all have a great Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will see you all back at school on **Tuesday** 5th **January**.

Paul Hill Headteacher



Legacy Torch Competition:

This term a number of pupils at school entered the "Legacy Torch" competition. Out of over 50 entries from this school and nearly 300 entries from other local primary schools Kian's entry (Year 4) was chosen to be highly commended. The young ambassador steering group selected a top 3 and then other various entries to be highly commended based upon the criteria for the design which were:

- Olympic and Paralympic Values of: Friendship, Respect, Excellence, Determination, Inspiration, Courage and Equality.
- The Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the country of Brazil
- The local area of South Kesteven, your school and what makes Lincolnshire special to you.

We are extremely proud of Kian for having his design selected and as such have presented him with a small prize to say well done!

Mog's Christmas

Last week we received a telephone call from Mrs Debbie Wrightson from Sainsbury's inviting us to receive a copy of Mog's Christmas and a Mog cuddly toy. We were very excited!

Yesterday morning, Liam and Lilly from Year 2 and Mrs Anderson set off for Sainsbury's. We were greeted by Mrs Wrightson and Mrs Bamber. We met other children from six Grantham schools.

We all had a drink and chat in the café and then Debbie and Carol showed us the books and cuddly Mogs. We all loved Mog.

Debbie and Carol explained that the Human Resources department at Grantham Sainsbury's had carried out money raising activities throughout the year and had been able to buy the books from the proceeds. They had chosen six local schools to receive Mog's Christmas Calamity and a cuddly Mog. We were lucky enough to be one of the six.

We all gathered around the Christmas tree for the presentation and had our photograph taken. We thanked Debbie and Carol and returned to school.

We will keep the book and Mog in our new library. Mrs Eldred is going to bring in a cosy bed for her to sleep in.

Judith Kerr the author of the book, Harper Collins the publishers and Sainsbury's will donate all of their profits from the sale of the book to Save the Children to improve child literacy in the U.K.

Raffle

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards the raffle last week. We managed to raise over £240 for the PTA! The winner was Freddi's (Year 3) Grandma – enjoy!

Performance Tables

The school performance tables were published online last Friday. If you would like to see how we compare with the national and local picture then simply google "Performance Tables". This will lead you to the entry page where you can search as you wish. We are extremely proud of how well we have done!

Smoking at the School Gates

A number of Parents/Carers have been smoking in close proximity to the school gates this half term. We would really appreciate it if those Parents/Carers who do smoke were able to do so such that pupils are a good distance away from the fumes. Thank you for your support.

Dates for Your Diary:

5th Jan Children return to school 6th Jan Year 2 trip – Space Muser

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