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Dear Parents,

We are having another busy half term leading up to the Christmas break. Our topic for this half term is Rubbish! I hope you will hear from your child/ren about the activities they get involved with during November and December.

### ***Fireworks***

Thank you to everyone who helped to make the Family Fireworks such a success. It was great to see so many people enjoying another fabulous display. Special thanks to Yangie Wang (Chestnut Lane) and the team of organisers.

### ***Friendship Open Morning (18<sup>th</sup> November)***

You will have already received my letter about Friendship Open Morning and I look forward to seeing many of you then.

### ***Perform Workshops (22<sup>nd</sup> November)***

The drama club Perform will be running 'Magic Materials' workshops with all the classes on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, which will link to our Rubbish topic. There is no charge for these sessions.

### ***Christmas Fayre (27<sup>th</sup> November)***

The next PTA event is the Christmas Fayre on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 12 – 3pm at Chestnut Lane. This is another one of our biggest fund raisers. I hope you will be able to join us.

There is a **mufti day (no school uniform) on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> November** in return for an item donation (*not money*) for the Christmas Fayre. Please make sure children are dressed appropriately for the weather, specifically playtimes.

A list of items the PTA would like can be found on the school's website:

<http://chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/clesa/christmas-fayre>.

### ***Christmas Postcards (1<sup>st</sup> December)***

Following the success of last year's sale, children in our Environment Club will be selling Christmas postcards in the dining room at 50p for a pack of 10 postcards. The sale will be held on Thursday 1st December, before drop off.

### ***Christmas Card Boxes (5<sup>th</sup> December)***

Class boxes for Christmas cards will be placed in the main building outside the Headteacher's office from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December onwards. Please help your children to write surnames on their envelopes as we have many duplicate names in some classes.

### ***Year 1 Trip to Mop End (6<sup>th</sup> December)***

Year 1 will be going on a science trip to Mop End on the 6<sup>th</sup> December. Information will be sent home in due course.

### **Christmas Radio (8<sup>th</sup> December)**

Year 2 will be participating in the charity radio station again this year. A selection of Year 2 children will be hosting a slot on the 8<sup>th</sup> December at lunchtime. More information will follow.

### **Years 1 & 2 Flu Vaccinations (9<sup>th</sup> December)**

The vaccinations for years 1 and 2 will take place on 9<sup>th</sup> December. If you have not yet handed in your consent form, and wish for your child/ren to take part in the flu nasal spray programme, please talk to the school office.

### **Chesham Bois Christmas Tree Decorating (9<sup>th</sup> December)**

The children have been invited to sing at the Christmas tree decorating ceremony at the War Memorial on 9<sup>th</sup> December at 4pm. We will be learning a carol in school and I hope many of you will be able to take your child/ren to the War Memorial to sing and hang decorations on the tree.

### **Christmas Production (14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> December)**

This year's production takes place on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am. In order to keep to acceptable levels of safety in our hall **we will allocate 2 tickets per family**. You will receive a ticket request form in the bookbags on 21<sup>st</sup> November (which will also be emailed). Tickets will then be allocated and returned via the bookbags.

**Please note that Little Chestnuts will perform in the production on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> only.** Parents of children in Little Chestnuts will receive further information.

Pre-school siblings may attend on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> but will have to sit on adult's laps.

### **Children's Christmas Lunch (19<sup>th</sup> December)**

Dolce will be providing a Christmas lunch on the 19<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like your child to have the Christmas lunch please ensure you order it by the 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### **Tea in a Box (20<sup>th</sup> December)**

Tea in the Box will be on the last day of term. Order forms will be sent home in December.

### **PTA Events**

The CLESA committee urgently needs more members. They are working very hard to keep to the events list sent out to parents at the beginning of the year. Unfortunately no one has stepped forward to lead the summer fair and so there is a risk that this event will not take place. If you would be prepared to take the lead or be part of a group of people who would organise this event then please speak to Sophie Hillier, CLESA Chair, who has a child in Red Class.

### **Last Day of Term**

- Please remember that school closes at **2.05pm** on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December.
- School re-opens on Thursday 5th January at 8.40am.
- Diary & Club Dates [chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/news/diary-dates](http://chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/news/diary-dates)
- Letters Sent Home [chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/parents/letters-sent-home](http://chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/parents/letters-sent-home)
- Term Dates [chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/school/term-dates](http://chestnutlane.bucks.sch.uk/school/term-dates)

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