



Haseltine News

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Dear Parents, Carers, Families & Friends,

Christmas has well and truly started at Haseltine! We have had all the EYFS and KS1 shows, the Christmas tree is up and our fair is tonight – thank you so, so much to everyone who has contributed to these events. Thank you to everyone who helped children to learn lines; who brought in costumes; who came to watch the shows; who brought in chocolate!

A MASSIVE thank you also, to all our parents who helped to prepare for the Christmas fair and helped to run it tonight. We REALLY couldn't have done this without you, so thank you.

Thank you also to all of the staff at Haseltine – they all work tirelessly throughout the whole year (but especially at Christmas time) to ensure that your children get all they deserve.

The biggest thank you of all needs to go to your children though. They all performed brilliantly and so confidently – I was very proud of each and every one of them and I know you will be too.

I cannot wait for next week to see all of the KS2 shows too! There are 4 of them (your child will appear in 2) so please make sure that you check carefully to see which show you need to come to.

This will be my last 'big' newsletter of the year but I will send out a quick one to you all in our last week.

Enjoy your last couple of weeks before we break up,

Sara Anderman





A huge well done to all our choir members for their recent performances. KS2 sang beautifully at the Turning of the Year event at Blackheath Halls last Tuesday night and KS1 at Carols on the Green this Monday. You were all terrific. Thank you also to those of you who came along to support – especially those of you who braved the cold at Bellingham!

Good luck to the KS2 singers who are travelling into London next Tuesday to perform at the Royal Festival Hall on the Southbank. If there are any parents who would like to come and meet us at the Festival Hall and to see your child sing, then please come along with us or meet us there by 6.15. They will be singing between 6.30-7pm in the Clore Ballroom. It would be great if you could come – it's an exciting place to watch your child perform and it's free! (I'm afraid we can't pay for your train fare though!).

E-Safety

A parent has raised a concern about an App that I hadn't heard of yet called Musicality. She has told me that it shows music videos that you can show yourself singing/dancing along to. Apparently these videos can be quite explicit.

Please be aware of what your child is accessing and ensure that it is appropriate.

Our Toilets

We must insist that under no circumstance should any adult use the children's toilets outside. This is a matter of safeguarding – please only ever use the disabled toilet and please make sure that you always lock it behind you.

Thank you.

Some very sad news!

And finally . . . I have some very sad news to share with you.

Mrs Watts, who has been working at Haseltine for 22 years and in our office for 12 years, is retiring at the end of this term so that she can spend valuable time looking after her granddaughter.

We will all miss her very much indeed – I for one have lots of very special, fond memories of Mrs Watts (she was my first LSA when I was a class teacher here 19 years ago!). She is a truly lovely lady and I know that you will all miss her too.