Dear Parents and Carers

We’re racing towards the end of term and there are lots of fun activities happening in school at the moment, including a pantomime from a visiting theatre group on Thursday for all children in Reception to Year 6. The Christmas parties will take place the same day.

The Carol Service at St Peter’s Church for years 1-3 last night was lovely. It was good to see so many of you there.

The Carol Service for years 4-6 is tonight at 6:30pm and we have the Foundation Stage Christingle tomorrow at 2:30pm.

Please remember, we do not allow photographs during performances. This has nothing to do with the Data Protection Act. It is because a number of our children are in refuges or fleeing domestic violence and it is important that their whereabouts is not known. We will make every effort to take photographs in school for you to buy if you wish. We will also try to give you an opportunity to take a photograph of your own child after the performance.

Don’t forget that school closes at the earlier time of 2pm on Friday. The children return to school on Wednesday 5th January 2011.

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**Christmas Fayre**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Christmas Fayre last Friday.

We made £1,013.02.

A big thank you to Melanie, Jane and their helpers for all their hard work in pulling the fayre together and to everyone who helped on the stalls.

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**IMPORTANT—DEADLINE 6PM TODAY**

You have until 6pm today to order & pay for your child’s milk for when we return in January. After 6pm, the option for ordering & paying for milk will be removed and no further orders can be accepted.
Parents drop-in sessions with the school nurse

The dates of the parents drop-in sessions for next half term are Thursday 6th January, Thursday 20th January, Thursday 3rd February and Thursday 17th February.

The school nurse will be available in the Round Room from 2pm.

If there is anything you would like to discuss with her, please go to the Round Room at 2pm. There is no need to book.

Co-location project

The building project is progressing well and the builders managed to make up the 3 days they lost because of snow—which is great.

We hope to organise for more children to go to the site and see some of the work being done after Christmas.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 14th December—6:30pm Years 4-6 Carol Service at St Peter's Church
Wednesday 15th December—2:30pm Foundation Stage Christingle at St Peter's Church
Thursday 16th December—Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime & class parties
Friday 17th December—last day of term—School closes at 2pm
Tuesday 4th January—INSET day—School & Children’s Centre closed
Wednesday 5th January—Children return to school
Thursday 17th February—Break up for half-term
Friday 18th February—INSET Day—School & Children’s Centre closed

w/c 21st February—Half-term
Monday 28th February—Children return to school

Children’s Centre Information

The Citizens Advice Bureau offer free, confidential, independent and impartial advice on housing, welfare benefits, employment, debt etc.

They will be at Tweeddale Children’s Centre on Wednesday 12th January.

If you would like to book an appointment, please call 020 8404 1640.

The Children’s Centre and Play Centre continue next week and close for Christmas on Thursday 23rd December.

It only remains for me to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

I look forward to seeing you all in 2011.

Mary Smith, Headteacher