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Christmas Fair 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

With Christmas fast approaching, we are making plans for our Christmas Fair, which will be held on **Saturday, 25th November, from 12pm-2pm.**

We are planning lots of traditional stalls and games for the children, some refreshments for the whole family, shopping stalls for the grown-ups and a 'secret shopping' room, for the children to be able to buy presents for their loved ones. There will be an opportunity to visit Father Christmas in his grotto, too! This event will be open to the whole community so please bring family and friends and spread the word. Please note, whilst some external stalls will be offering card payments, FOBSA-run stalls will be cash only.

To ensure a successful fair, we would be so grateful for your help!

During November we will be leaving boxes out at drop off and collection for any donations you would like to make. We'll be having a focus each week, but you don't need to stick to this and are very welcome to donate anything from the list below whenever suits you best (please don't feel you need to make multiple donations!).

w/c 30th October – Bottle donations (alcohol or soft drinks, any size)
w/c 6th November – Jolly Jars* (decorate & fill a jar with anything but nuts)
w/c 13th November – Chocolate (anything chocolatey very welcome!)
w/c 20th November – Christmas Jumpers (we would love to add your no longer needed, good condition Christmas jumpers to our jumper sale at the fair)

*There will be some empty jam jars available to collect w/c 30th October should you need them, please ask at drop off or collection.

As usual we are running a **Christmas raffle**. We will be using the online site Raffall and more details on how to buy tickets will be available in early November. We are appealing for raffle prizes: if you are able to contribute something towards the raffle,

Support FOBSA for free when shopping online with over 500 retailers, including Amazon, NEXT, M&S, John Lewis & Debenhams. http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/fobsa we would be very grateful! If you have a large donation, please get in touch via email <u>friendsofbagshot@hotmail.com</u> or the <u>Facebook page</u> to arrange delivery, otherwise raffle prizes can be popped into the collection boxes at any time.

This year we are allocating stalls to each class to run, as detailed below. This will be booked via the usual sign up, and will still be open to anyone from other classes, but we would like for each class to be responsible for a specific stall or two. Each slot will be for 30 minutes. Some stalls will require two people, others only one. 30 minutes really does fly by on a stall, so please if you can spare some time, we would be grateful! More details on signing up will follow.

Cherry Class- Feely Castle and Lucky Dip Maple Class- Glitter Tattoos Oak Class- Pocket Money Beech Class- Feed Santa Holly Class- Jolly Jars and Christmas Jumpers Cedar Class- Pick-a-Plonk and Money Tree

Finally, to make Santa feel extra welcome when he arrives, we would like to invite all children to make **paper snowflakes** we can hang to decorate the grotto. Many of your little ones will have done this in previous years, but for those who are unfamiliar with the technique, there are loads of tutorials to check out online. Make as many snowflakes as you wish - the more the merrier Santa's Grotto! Please bring your snowflakes to school no later than 22nd November.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please email us or ping us a message via Facebook. Many thanks for your support, and we hope you have a lovely half term.

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