Dear Parents
Below still more details about this exciting end of term! As ever, if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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M & S Bag Packing
I am delighted to report that £911 was raised for the Coventry Children’s Boot Fund. We have received a phone call and numerous comments from customers and staff at the store about how helpful and polite our children were, as if they would be otherwise! I was particularly pleased that 18 pupils who had performed at the NEC in the morning volunteered to come and help in the afternoon. Well done to all concerned.

Christmas Celebration 14 December 6.30pm
We would like to invite you to our Christmas Celebration on Wednesday 14 December 2011 at 6.30 p.m. at Stoke St. Michael’s Church on Walsgrave Road. This is a celebration and no matter what your religion is always a lovely occasion.

It is very important that all pupils attend as each class will be involved. There will be a rehearsal at the church in the afternoon. We have arranged coach transport and the children will be back for the normal end of school.

In the evening pupils, wearing their uniform, should be taken to the Church centre at 6.15 p.m. where staff will receive them. May I remind you that parking is not easy and parents need to make allowance for this.

After the Carol Service pupils are to be collected from the Church Centre at approximately 7.30 p.m. The P.T.A. will be serving mulled wine (non-alcoholic) coffee, tea and mince pies. They will be drawing the Christmas raffle, so we do hope you will stay to enjoy the start to the festive season with other parents.

For your information there will be a retiring collection, which usually raises over £200, to be divided between Stoke St Michael’s Church and the House Charities.

We do have to limit seats to 3 places per family and I am afraid that this service is not suitable for very young children and babies. Parents’ cameras and videos are not permitted in the church but Steve Liles will be there once again to film the celebration for us. There is an order form on the reverse of this letter.

Festive Feast @ 4 Wednesday 14 December
To make things easier for parents before the Christmas Celebration, the PTA are once again organizing the Festive Feast @ 4. A £3 ticket includes refreshments and a film. We look forward to seeing as many pupils and parents as possible there. Pupils do need to pay in advance. Places can be booked by returning the reply slip overleaf with payment in a named, sealed envelope by Monday. Unaccompanied children will need to be collect by 5.45. I am afraid staff cannot take children to the church in the evening.

PTA Christmas Raffle
A reminder that all raffle tickets and stubs should be returned to school by Monday morning please in readiness for the grand draw after the carol service. More tickets are available if you want to be sure of winning these super prizes.
**After School Classes**
There will be no after school classes next week. **Lunchtime lessons will continue as normal until Thursday.**

**The Dance Show**
Many congratulations to everyone who appeared and represented Pattisons so well at the Dance Show.

Compliments on the performances have been numerous and well deserved.

If you would like to order a professionally recorded DVD of the Saturday performance by pupils and students please send in a cheque for £10 made out to Steve Liles. Orders received by 4pm Thursday will be delivered on Friday.

**Prep School Drama Showcase 13 December 2.45pm**
A reminder that we look forward to seeing you at the short showcase in the Hall for the Junior & Infant pupils. You will see not only what they have done in their Speech exams but also to hear the Junior Choir. Please complete the seat request form below.

**Young Dancer of the Year**
Congratulations to second year student Faye Wallace who got through to the final five in the National Young Dancer of the Year competition. This event is supported by Dancers Inc, DanceXChange and The Council for Dance Education and Training (CDET). Promising young dancers attended heats in Birmingham, and shortlisted finalists then battled it out in live finals at The Dance Show. Well done Faye!

**Junior Showcase**
I require ______ seats for the Junior Showcase on 13 December

Name of Child/Children ______________________________________ Class _______________

**Christmas DVD orders**
Child’s Name ________________________________________________
Parent/Guardian Name _______________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________
(for Carol Service Concert only)

“Ralph The Reindeer” Number of DVDs ............ Payment Enclosed (@£15 each) £........
Carol Service Number of DVDs.......... Payment Enclosed (@£17 each inc P&P)£........
Cheques made payable to Steve Liles please.

**Festive Feast @ 4**
Please complete this reservation form and return to school by Monday 12 December

Name of Child/Children ______________________________________
I will accompany my child to the school hall prior to the 2011 Carol Service

Signed ____________________________________________________
I enclose £3 per child (cheques should be made payable to Pattison College PTA)