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Merry Christmas

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Dear Parents,

Christmas is a time to be thankful and so my final newsletter of 2018 is to say thank you and well done to all those who have supported the many Christmas events we have had towards the end of term.

Thinking of Others

The girls experienced the true meaning of Christmas with several community Christmas visits.

The Pre-Preparatory girls went to The Russells and sang songs from their Nativity, much to the delight of those they were visiting. It was such a heart-warming experience that a few tissues were needed!



Lower Prep visited the residents at Chateaux des Tielles. They sang Nativity songs to them and delivered their hand made Christmas Cards. We have received some lovely feedback on how much joy their visit brought to the residents.



Form III continued their connection with The Cheshire Home and went along to sing carols, share poems, play the handbells and deliver some Christmas treats for the residents. They then spent time saying hello to the familiar faces from previous visits. The Cheshire Home has also benefitted from the Carol Service collection this year and we are thrilled to be able to give them just over £300. Thank you for your generous donations.

Christmas Tradition



We have really had the opportunity to understand the true meaning of Christmas through our Nativities and Carol Service. Both the Prep and Pre-Prep Departments should be incredibly proud of their Nativities which were delightful. It is amazing to see girls, from a very young age, have such confidence performing on stage in front of a large audience. Well done and a huge thank you to all involved on both productions, your hard work is greatly appreciated.

The Carol Service provided the opportunity for all the girls in Melrose to come together in a whole school traditional celebration. The singing was beautiful and the readings were delivered with clarity and confidence. Thank you to all the staff and girls and also to the parents who came to support them and donated so generously to the collection for The Cheshire Home.

Christmas Fun

Christmas Fayre

A HUGE THANK YOU to you all for your help and support with the Christmas Fayre. It was an enormous success this year and lovely to have stalls from girls throughout the school. The improved layout still allowed for that 'buzzing Christmas feel' without overcrowding and having the Café upstairs provided a space for a little calm and some fantastic cakes. I am pleased to say that the Christmas Fayre raised just over £2,600 this year. That is a phenomenal amount for a couple of hours and was only possible thanks to the time and generosity of girls, staff and parents. Many, many thanks.



Dress for Christmas

The girls and staff looked fantastic on Monday when they donned their Christmas jumpers and outfits to 'Dress for Christmas'. It definitely started the Christmas feel, ready for Party Day the next day. We also raised £168.10 for Barnardo's, a very worthwhile charity.

So as term ends, I would like to say a final thank you to all in the Melrose community - parents, staff and girls for their hard work and enthusiasm this term. May I wish you all a very happy and restful Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all next year!

Yours sincerely,

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Head Teacher