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Dear Parents and Carers

## Parent Update, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017

I think that it would be fair to say that Hollybrook Schools stole the show last night at the Guildhall! The singing from all of the children was lovely and I am sure that those who were there are feeling in a Christmas mood. The Infant children provided us with the narration and I have every respect for being able to be on stage at that age and speak out with such clarity and confidence – something that I know I couldn't have done at that age. Likewise the "judges", who were really in character. The dancers also showed no sign of nerves and entertained with the dances – who could resist a smile at the camels? The turn-out from the juniors in terms of numbers was amazing and, again, I have every respect for the musicians, who play so well and have the confidence to do so. It goes without saying that we are extremely proud of our children and their exemplary behaviour.

In order to give the children such a memorable occasion, there is a lot of work and time that is given by members of staff, especially Mrs Clark and Mrs Thomsett. Not only do they help with the organisation with Southampton Music Service, they rehearse with the children and give up Saturday mornings for the rehearsals. I would also like to thank the other members of staff from both schools who supported last night and / or went to the Saturday rehearsals. Finally, I would like to thank the parents for supporting us with this – I am sure that finding time amongst other commitments on a Saturday can be challenging so thank you.

On Friday we held our first joint Christmas Fayre and it was a resounding success. Thank you for supporting by donating bottles, sweets and cakes and for coming on the night. An awful lot of work goes on behind the scenes to make it the success that it was and I would especially like to thank the PTA Committee who probably feel that they live in school at the moment. Santa's Grotto was certainly a big hit and looked so real. Both schools really appreciate the help we get through monetary donations to support us in giving your children a broad and balanced curriculum. Thank you also to those staff who were able to run stalls on Friday and assist Santa.

The next couple of weeks are going to be really busy so please keep an eye out for information being sent out by both schools. I look forward to seeing many of you at the upcoming events and, once again, thank you for your support.

Mrs Wood

### Attendance 27.11.17-1.12.17

Class	% Attend
3C	97.6
3B	93.4
4C	97.0
4K	93.1
5LH	100.0
5M	89.3
6OB	97.1
6N	98.9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>95.8</b>





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## **Year 3 trip to the Nuffield theatre to watch a performance of Hetty Feather.**

Last Friday Year 3 were lucky enough to have the opportunity to visit the Nuffield Theatre to watch a performance of Hetty Feather. The following report is written by 2 of the children.

*When we arrived we walked into the theatre and we were sat very near the front. There were other schools all around us and while we waited we had a snack. All of a sudden it went pitch black and then the lights on the stage came on and the show started! The show started with Hetty Feather talking about the beginning of her life at The Foundling Hospital. The show told the whole story of Hetty's life from when she was at the hospital, going to her foster mother's home and meeting her foster brothers and sisters. When Hetty was 6 she had to go back to the Foundling Hospital and one of the kitchen helpers gave her newspapers to read. At the end we found out that this lady was Hetty's mother. My favourite part was when Hetty visited the circus and all the actors and actresses dressed up as horses! We were really lucky because at the end of the show, some schools had to go but we were allowed to stay and the actors and actresses came on stage and talked to us about different parts of the show and how they decided what to do. (Josie and Manupa)*

Mrs Cook

## **PTA Fundraising**

As mentioned in earlier newsletters, please use the links below to raise money for our schools when you shop online. Retailers give the school money and it doesn't cost you anything! Most retailers can be found through Easyfundraising and give around 1-2% of the purchase price, and £10 plus for utilities. The Book People scheme gives the schools money for books, and with Micro Scooters we receive 10% of your purchase price.

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