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Dear Parent/Carer,

I realise now how optimistic it was thinking that last week's letter was the last one: this one definitely is!

HALF TERM ACTIVITY

I have been asked by Rupert Farthing, who is the Director of the Carymoor Education Centre, to advertise his half term activity for families. I think the children would enjoy this if you have nothing else to do over the break.

October Half Term Holiday Activities for Families:

Live 'n' Deadly: DSI Carymoor

Become a deadly detective during October half term and solve a wildlife crime at Carymoor Environmental Centre! Explore our nature reserve to find clues and deduce who's eaten who.

Deadly Scene Investigations are running on:

27th October: 10am- 12pm or 2pm-4pm

28th October: 10am- 12pm or 2pm-4pm

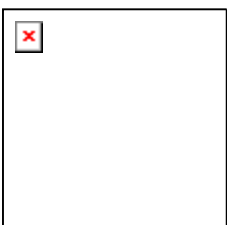
Charge: £5 per family (up to 2 adults and up to 2 children under 18)
£1.50 per additional participant

Booking Essential: Please call 01963 351350 to book your place.

Carymoor Environmental Trust, Dimmer Lane, Castle Cary BA7 7NR
www.carymoor.org.uk

For more information about the event at Carymoor please see the BBC link here:
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/thingstodo/activity/live-n-deadly-dsi-carymoor-02?occurrence=31645>

For more information about Live 'n' Deadly: www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/shows/live-n-deadly



PINK DAY

Thank you very much for all your support last week. We raised £200.26 which is fantastic and I know will be appreciated by the Breast Cancer Campaign.

YEAR 6 PARENTS

Please note that **October 31st** is the deadline for you to apply for your child's secondary school. This may seem early but it is essential you start now with your form filling in. It is best to apply on line by going to the Somerset County Council Website. Click **Services-services** directory-apply to transfer school-Secondary Phase Admission Application Form. Then download the form, fill it in and submit it. If you need any help please ask Mrs Mewett or myself. If you do not have a computer simply give County Hall a ring and ask for one to be sent to you in the post.

BOOK FAIR

You may remember that we are having a Book Week from 21st - 25th November. We have many exciting things planned for the week, one thing being a Book Fair. This will give the children the opportunity to look at new books as well as buy them but we need your help to man the shop after school. If you would like to help for half an hour after school with the Fair (from Tuesday 22nd to Monday 28th November) please come and see myself or Miss Pritchard. Thank you.

PARENT EVENINGS

Please don't forget to sign up for a time for Parents' Evening. If you do not come to school with your child you may ring the office and they can book you in for a time. Thank you.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

With this letter you will see the leaflet explaining about the organisation which helps many children throughout the world with boxes of gifts for Christmas. I would like us to support this worthwhile cause this year as it is good for our children to see those who have nothing at Christmas and to become involved with choosing small gifts to put in their shoe box. I have shown everyone what to do and how to decorate the box and have now left it up to them (and you!) to decide the age and sex of the child you would like to buy gifts for. These really do not have to be costly and second hand toys in good condition are acceptable. The trouble is they all have to be in school by **18th November** which is not long. I thought it best to warn you now so that you have half term to make the box. It would be fantastic if we could manage one box per family.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The deadline for the return of the school photos is **THURSDAY 20th OCTOBER.**

This just leaves me to wish you all a good half term break. I look forward to seeing on 31st October with my Nigerian sun tan!

Yours sincerely,

Helen Townson