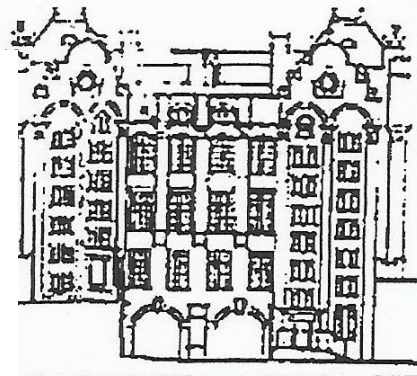


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NESA Christmas Fair

Thank you to everyone who made Sunday's Christmas Fair such a success. Everybody seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves, while raising quite a bit of money for the new hall!
Special THANKS to...

- All the *children* who made the event so festive with their wonderful decorations and crackers.
- *Rachel Wainwright* for organising the fantastic raffle; and to all who sold & purchased tickets! Well done to RM, the best selling class – and to Finley Johnston for being the highest seller!
- *Danielle*, local massage therapist who eased stress and tension with her shiatsu techniques.
- *Dennis* for helping with all the setup and breakdown/clean-up
- *Mrs. Kermani & Miss Harris/Miss Sobhal* for so kindly letting us use their classrooms.
- *Joe* in the kitchen for allowing us use of his space – and baking extra cakes for the cake stall!
- *All* who contributed donations/gifts to the Raffle, Tombola and Santa's Grotto. We were truly overwhelmed by your generosity (a list of all donors will be published in next week's newsletter)
- The *Class Reps & NESA members* for the time and energy they put in over the last few weeks:
 - **Selma, Sara, Alice, Danielle, Helena, Antonia & Marie* (Reception) who created a really beautiful Santa's Grotto/winter wonderland; *Heike* (Kai's mum, RS) & *Maxine* (Georgie's mum, 2S) who took all the photos; and Santa & all the helpful elves who made it such a treat for the children.
 - **Helena* (Nursery) who coordinated the wonderful arts & crafts activities
 - **Carol & Delanie* (Year 1) who oversaw the cracker competition & display, the terrific New End water bottles and tea towel sales.
 - **Jill & Natasha* (Year 2) whose stall assured we had plenty to drink throughout the day
 - **Isobel, Josie & Melissa* (Year 3) who took on the huge task of gathering donations – then overseeing the tombola and lucky dip stall
 - **Christine, Gwyn & Tilly* (Year 4) and to all who donated to their delicious cake stall!
 - **Natalie* (Year 5) and her team of helpers who were up making bagel sandwiches at 9 a.m. – which they served with delicious soups prepared by *Pete and the cooking club!*
 - *The *Year Six children and parents* who organised this year's games; the energy in the ground hall was fantastic – and they made a great profit towards their end of year expenses.
 - **Everyone* who gave up their time to run stalls, sell items or help set up and tidy up – the Class Reps named above couldn't have done it without your help!
 - **Neal Whitmore* for providing festive tunes throughout, *Joerg Hartmannsgruber & Dick Carruthers* who created the event posters, *Vassilis Zarifis* for organising the voucher booklets.

~ Congratulations to all the children who entered the Christmas Cracker Competition. Thank you to Mr. Gallagher who took on the difficult task of judging! Special congratulations to the following children who won prizes for their efforts: Alex de Goey (1K), Larissa (5G), Kai (RS), Eva (3E) and Issa (2S).

Finally, a tremendous thanks to *Jill Barnes and Rakafet Cohen* who were the overall coordinators for the Fair. The event would not have happened without their tireless efforts and good cheer. Thanks to all. We hope the Fair put you in a festive mood this holiday season.

Kelly Sachleben and Selina Skipwith, NESA Co-Chairs

HUGE THANKS GO TO KELLY AND SELINA THE NESA CO-CHAIRS THEIR HARD WORK AND PLANNING PAID OFF ON THE DAY AND ENSURED THE FAIR WAS ENJOYABLE AND PROFITABLE.

Football Results

Last week, our football teams played three more games in the Camden Primary league at Talacre Sports Centre. The boys beat Carlton 3-1, drew with Eleanor Palmer 0-0 and drew with Rosary 1-1. The boys are currently in 6th place in the league and after six games are unbeaten. The girls beat Carlton 1-0 and lost to both Eleanor Palmer and Rosary 1-0. The girls are also in 6th place in their league. New End is still top of the Fair Play League. The next games are after Christmas in January.

Christmas Jumper/tie Day, Friday 14th December

New End is getting in the festive spirit and helping to raise money for **Save the Children's** life-saving work with children. We are asking everyone to wear a **Christmas jumper/tie** for the day and make a minimum **£1 donation**. You can **decorate** an everyday jumper with **tinsel and baubles**, rescue an old one bought in a moment of festive joy, or even **knit** one if you've got the skills – it's completely up to you! Or you can wear a christmas tie.

Where does the money go?

The money we raise, no matter how much or how little, will help make a real difference to world's most vulnerable children. **Around the world** £3 can buy a mosquito net for a child in South Sudan, protecting them from malaria. £50 can buy 25 warm blankets for babies suffering from pneumonia. £260 can buy 100 sets of school textbooks for children in Ethiopia, giving them the chance of a better education. £500 can train five health workers to identify and treat children suffering from malnutrition. **In the UK** £5 can buy a warm blanket for a baby to ensure they get the sleep they need to develop. £25 can buy a school uniform to ensure children can attend school like any other child, free from bullying. £150 can buy a proper bed for a child so they don't have to sleep on the floor.

If you wish to know more, here is the website: <http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>

Attendance and Punctuality

Congratulations to classes 1D (100%) and 3T (98.3%) for the best attendances in the week of November 19th. These classes hosted the teddies for the week. Attendance across the school was 94.3%, with an unauthorised absence level of 0.35%. There were 68 lates in the week (11 more than the previous week), involving 51 children throughout the school (14 more than the previous week). The most punctual FS/KS1 class was RS (zero lates) and in KS2 it was classes 4P and 6W (two lates in both classes). Well done to the children in these classes. Class 1D has the Early Bird for the week and children in class 6W have been entertained by The Wizard!

2013 School Calendar

New End School Calendar 2013 has the theme of Children's Rights. Each class has chosen one of the 42 articles in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and children have drawn pictures to illustrate the article selected. Every country in the world has signed the UNCRC, though some countries have a long way to go in keeping to all the 42 commitment points. One picture from each class has been chosen to appear in the calendar. The chosen pictures were drawn by the following children: Viola Magnani (Nursery); Vincente Ruiz (RM); Matthew Forsyth (RS); Mimi Kramer (1K); Beth Haigh (1D); Bella Stapledon (2S); Lucy Stapledon (2W); Audrey Quentin (3E); Francisco Coiai (3T); Timothy Sithole (4H); Cody Nicola (4P); Gloria Ebgui (5H); Abigail Manioundou (5G); Rachel Reizin (6J); Lola Cavill (6W). Calendar, price £2, will be on sale at all performances of the Christmas production at the end of term. They can also be purchased at the school office (please have correct money – sorry, no change available!). All money raised from the sale of the calendar will be sent to the following two charities: The Save The Children Fund; UNICEF.

Class Tea

Please join us for the final Class Tea of the year (hosted by the Reception classes) this Friday afternoon. There will be yummy treats to end your week along with some small gifts from Santa's Grotto for purchase. The Class Teas will start up again with the warmer weather at the end of March.

Coffee with Kevin

Wednesday 12 December at 9.10am. The subject is Special Needs and Disabilities. Two Governors present also.