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Dear CHS families,

We appreciate this is a very busy time of year and so your efforts donating items for the tombola, the jam jar competition and rainbow hampers are really appreciated. These donations all contribute to fun, fundraising events, enjoyed by both children and adults. The tombola, jam jar and rainbow hamper donations were originally destined for the Christmas fair on the 27th November but regrettably, following the rise in Covid cases in the county, the school, governors and PTA have decided it is not wise to hold the fair this year, particularly since this is an indoor event frequented by 100s of people in a relatively short space of time.

We are sorry to bring you this news, not least of all because the Christmas fair has historically been one of the biggest fundraising events of the year.

After much discussion and deliberation, we've come up with a plan that will hopefully satisfy everyone's need for some festive fun! We will still be having both an adult and a children's tombola, a secret jam jar sale and because of all your wonderful donations the hampers this year promise to be extra special. Raffle tickets will be on sale soon.

We will be having a 2nd hand toy and book sale on Friday 26th of November in front of the infants school so you'll still be able to buy some pre-loved bargains before Christmas. This will run all day. Please keep on donating the toys and books your children have finished with so they can find a loving new home. Donations welcome until Thursday November 18th.

On Friday December 10th, after pick up, in the junior school, we will be holding our adult and children's tombolas and selling all the fabulous jam jars you've been busy creating. It would be wonderful if there were enough jam jars for every child who wants to buy one, they're always very popular so please do keep on bringing them in, if you are able. Don't forget - the class who brings in the most jam jars wins a new wet play toy.

None of these events and fundraising are possible without your plentiful donations or generous volunteering, there will still be many opportunities to volunteer during the run up to these events. A volunteer sign-up sheet will follow soon.

We have a long list of needs for the school this year and an ambitious revenue target, every pound raised through events such as the above will make a difference to our children.

We're aware this is disappointing and we're really sorry but we thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we continue to navigate the challenges Covid throws our way.

Lots of love

The PTA