

From the Headteacher:

Star Work: Congratulations to our Star Workers of this week Jack Knapp and Charlotte Fillis. Their work is on display in pride of place.

School Photographer: Thank you for returning your slips indicating your requirements for the visit of the new photographer on Monday. If you intend to have a family group photo which includes pre-school children please come to the school hall at 8.30. The day will start with these photographs. All others will be arranged during lesson times. If you have not yet returned a slip please do so by Monday morning. If in doubt we shall ensure each pupil has an individual photograph taken.

Zambian meal: This was not the most popular menu judging by the numbers taking up the option this week but we do believe it is important that children try new things and learn about other cultures. Thank you to all parents who encouraged their children to try something different. The next International meal will be an Indian one and will be offered to pupils at a reduced cost. Details will follow in due course.

Year Six: We are aware that there is a clash of events on 5th July with our Year Six pupils expected to be in two places at once! We are adjusting the Lulworth timetable so that pupils can attend the Induction days at Whitstone and Wells Blue and will write to parents with the new schedule next week.

Next School Year: I am afraid that I have misled some parents who have asked about next year's calendar. It seems the rules for setting INSET days have changed (back) so that schools can now set the dates themselves from within the school year. Therefore, September 1st, which is a Friday, will be taken as an INSET day at St. Aldhelm's. Pupils will not be expected to start a school year on a Friday! I shall send out the amended calendar with INSET days marked on it next week. I am sorry if this has caused inconvenience to parents booking holiday time.

Roger Whitewick

DRUG AWARENESS SESSIONS FOR PARENTS: The Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership (SASP) is developing a scheme that will help to raise awareness of drug issues and young people.

SASP is offering to arrange a session that best suits parents: morning, afternoon or evening, and depending on the response may arrange the session with parents from other schools.

If you are interested in attending such a meeting, could you please complete the tear-off slip at the bottom of the newsletter and return it to school by May 26th.

Kevin Knowles

INTERNATIONAL NEWS: As part of our link work with our partner school in Germany, this Wednesday 24th May all the children in school will be involved in a mini World Cup Football Tournament. Each class is being divided into 'England' and 'Germany' teams, and short football games will be played between the teams within each year group. The children at the Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn Primary School in Germany will also be doing the same. By the end of Wednesday all the results from our games will have been sent to Germany to add to their results. The overall winning team (England or Germany) from both schools will be announced in assembly on Friday.

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on Wednesday; daps or preferably trainers are required as footwear, not football boots.

Reminder – International tuck is also on Wednesday 24th May. 25p buys an exotic fruit medley cup. **Tess Kaunhoven**

Tag Rugby: On Wednesday afternoon we were invited to play in the Clive Lewis Tag Rugby Tournament at Frome Rugby Club. A team of Year 5/6 entered and played extremely well together. They played three games in total:

Selwood	1	v	St Aldhelm's	0
Oakhill A	0	v	St Aldhelm's	1
Upton Noble	3	v	St Aldhelm's	0

A big well done to Harrison Bean, James Pearson, Ashley Thick, William Lintern (scored the try), Olivia King, Laura Pearson, Josh Cawsey and William Carey.

Kara Wickham

Message from the Kitchen: On Friday 9th June there will be a football supporters lunch – Fish, chips and peas and for pudding red and white sponge - all for £1.60.

From the Friends of St.Aldhelm's (PTA)

Friday Market – 26th May (Year 4) – Any donations of cakes etc... would be greatly appreciated.

Collett Park Festival 10th June – We have booked a pitch and have organised some games for the day. There is the potential to raise a lot of money for the school. We will also be holding a balloon race on the day. (Tickets will be available to buy before the 10th June). Do any of you own small businesses that could support our balloon race – either by donating some money for a cash prize/help towards purchasing the balloons etc.. or by donating a prize? Please contact Ruth McCann (01749 880527) if you feel you can help in this way.

We **urgently** need some volunteers to help on the day – both on the stall but we also need a team of 5 or more people to walk around the festival selling balloons and also blowing them all up!!!! (via a gas cylinder!) We really do need a big team this year. Please can you let Ruth know on the above number or let the school office know if you can help for part of the day and a rota can be drawn up.

Summer Fayre – 9th July. We would like to be able to offer pony rides at this year's fayre – has anyone got a friendly horse/pony/donkey that would enjoy doing this?

Last year the **beauticians parlour** was very successful and we would like to do it again – if possible we would like to extend the range of services e.g. hairdressing, waxing, massages, nail painting, make up.... Let's see if we can get a great beauty team together.

Has anybody else got any ideas or has something they could do? (you never know there may be an acrobat out there!!)

You can sell your own crafts/home produce - £10 per table.

Please speak to Liz Barton in the office regarding any of the above.

Bag2school – don't forget that the lorry will be coming to school again on Friday 7th July in the morning. Start bagging up clothing/curtains/handbags/shoes/soft toys – but do not take anything to school until 7th July. All these items will be sent to Eastern Europe and we get paid a certain amount depending on the weight of all our bags.

Cranmore and Doultong Pre-schools – School Disco celebrating 25 years – Saturday 27th May 7.30pm til late – over 18's only – Fancy dress optional. Best DJ in the area, PDJ. (DJ's for Centre Parcs – Longleat.) Come and dance the cobwebs away. Tickets £5 or £6 on the door. For information call 01749 345590. Tickets available from Caroline Marshall, Donna Billing, Julie Biggs, Dawn Locke. We are raising funds for a photocopier.

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I/We would be interested in attending meeting on Drug Awareness.

Preferred time of meeting: Morning Afternoon Evening

Signed.....

