

From the Headteacher:

I have returned from Maastricht where I had a fascinating time. The highlight was visiting a Dutch primary school the same size as St. Aldhelm's.

Actiontrack's Nick Brace has been in school during the week working with Year Six pupils on a composing project. The pupils joined with children from Croscombe and Oakhill for a day's workshop today to finish the project.

Year 3 and Year 4 brass lessons did not take place today because of the Actiontrack workshop but will take place on Monday instead. Year 5 brass will take place as normal.

Year 5 performed their play, a version of the traditional Russian story 'Ivan the Fool', to an audience of juniors and parents yesterday. Congratulations to them for an enjoyable performance.

Piano and Guitar concert: I very much enjoyed listening to our piano players and guitarists at a concert they gave yesterday to an audience of family and friends. It was wonderful to see and hear how much progress children had made with their playing. Congratulations to all involved.

Wellie Walk Wednesday: On Wednesday we shall be leading our children to school across the fields as part of our campaign to get more pupils walking. Details will be sent out in a separate letter on Monday but I hope your children will consider joining in. Maybe you too would like the exercise!

Cross-Country: Well done to all participants in the cross country event this week. A special mention is needed, though, for Ella Rose Bazley Jackson who came 2nd and Hazel Papadopoulos 21st.

Parking in Chelynch Park: Please park with care in an around our school. We have received complaints from our neighbours about careless and thoughtless parking.

Roger Whitewick

Message from the School Council: Thank you to the children who have put in entries to the Christmas magazine competition. We will be judging and picking the winning design next week.

WE NOW NEED YOU to write things for the inside!

Choose from the list below:

- ★ Christmas puzzles, dot to dot, Christmas mazes
- ★ Christmas wordsearches, poems and jokes
- ★ Christmas jingles and songs you have made up
- ★ Christmas recipes – biscuits and sweets
- ★ Instructions for Christmas decorations or presents you can make

Please include photographs/drawings to show what it looks like.

Please give your contributions to your councillor on plain A4 paper by 30th November, either handwritten or word processed work will be accepted – it needs to look good.

Harvest: We have received a letter from the Crisis Centre Ministries to whom we donated Harvest Goods. It was stressed that the value of nutritious food to their clients in helping them move forward in their lives was very important, so our gift was very much appreciated.

Wet Playtimes: Now that winter is fast approaching the lunchtime staff would really appreciate any donations you could give of videos, board games, action man, Barbie any construction equipment and top trump cards. Could any donations be handed in to the Office–thank you.

Book Fair: There is still time to purchase books from the Travelling Book Fair. In the annex today Friday, Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st November from 14.30 until 16.30 each day. All proceeds go towards providing books and teaching materials for the classroom. Come and browse the wide variety of books on offer.

Cranmore and Doultong Pre-school: A reminder that the pre-school are holding their annual Christmas Bingo on Friday 24th November at Cranmore Village Hall. Doors open at 6.45pm, eyes down at 7.30pm, lots of prizes to be won.

Dolls Clothes for Sale: Dolls clothes to fit a 14” to 16” dolly also Baby Clothes Jumpers and Cardigans, newborn and 2nd size. Telephone Grace Morgan on 01454 613909. All profit to school.