



### **From the Headteacher**

It has been lovely this week watching the Reception children floating and chasing coloured scarves in the wind, whilst I have been working at my desk. The sun has shone and hopefully spring is just around the corner! Or is that wishful thinking?

### **Star Work**

Congratulations to Tom Wintle, Riley Gogasn, Katie Anderton, Josh Lakin, Ella Rose Bazley-Jackson, Emily Lucksted and Rowan Davis whose work is on display in the centre of the school.

### **School Uniform**

We still have lots of uniform in lost property; please encourage your child to have a look if they are missing anything. Ensuring all items are named helps us to match it back to its owner.

### **After School Clubs**

We would love to have a wide range of clubs open to the children after school. From, sports, arts, crafts, gardening, music mixtures, dance... and any others you think the children would enjoy. If you can run or help at a club we would be extremely grateful. Please pop in with any ideas or suggestions.

### **Reading**

We are encouraging all of the children to share their reading books at home with their family. Practising every night for a little while is better than a longer session once a week. Listening to stories, reading together or to someone, thinking about the story/text and answering questions about it will help their progress in reading, comprehension and writing.

### **Joy Mounter**

**HOW** had their first gardening session this week. Having surveyed the school grounds for growing areas HOW members spent some time choosing seeds. Many thanks to Barbra Lakin for her time and expertise in this area. We have decided to open the school gardening sessions to all children, to get as many involved as possible. If there are any enthusiastic parents/carers out there who would like to help out, please let me know and I can keep you informed about gardening sessions.

If anyone has any garden tools they would like to donate to us trowels, forks etc. it would be very much appreciated.

We are still collecting empty printer refills and old mobile phones for recycling. The school can earn money from collecting these items. Please do continue to bring them into school when no longer needed so that we can recycle them.

**Helen Bishop**

### International Meal

As you will probably know from your children, Japan is our theme for this term. The meal will be on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February**. If your child would like to have this meal and does not normally have a school meal, please send in your order and dinner money (£1.80) by **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January**.

**Main Meal: Beef Teriyaki  
Sushi Rice (not fish)  
Tempura Veg.**

**Green Tea Cake**

### Piano Lessons

Please note that Piano Lessons will be on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> of February as we have a church service on the Thursday.

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

#### **Minutes of Meeting - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2008**

<b>Disco</b> - It was voted to hold 3 discos before the end of the school year. Dates tbc.
<b>Cake Markets</b> - First market to be held by Years 1 and 5 jointly. Date tbc. It was suggested and agreed that funds raised by the cake markets are to be given to the classes involved and that the children can have a say in which way the funds are spent.
<b>Easter</b> - It was suggested and agreed that there will be an Easter Garden competition for the children. These are to be designed on a dinner plate.
Class representatives are still needed for Years 4 and 5.
<b>Potato Day</b> - Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> February – 1 more volunteer needed for afternoon shift from 12.30 – 4.00pm to help take entrance fees or run cafe. Cake donations please to be given to The office on Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> .
<b>Summer Fete</b> - A date will be set after Easter, usually around mid-July. Attractions for the main arena need to be found. If anyone has any ideas or knows of a local club that would like to take part please let Helen or Caroline know. A donation is made towards any performing club
<b>Other Fundraising – 1</b> – The idea of holding a pampering event either at the school or at Sense in Coxley. It was agreed that an event would be organised.
<b>Other Fundraising – 2</b> - Pampered Chef Evening either at home or at school. Based on a "Can't Cook, Won't Cook" theme.
<b>Spending</b> - Running vests have been bought for the Cross Country Team.
<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A change of time and day for future PTA meetings was discussed.</li><li>• As there are many events that require fairly quick organising or notification to parents</li></ul> the next PTA meeting is to be held on: <b>FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY at 2.00pm in the Annexe.</b>

