

Weekly Newsletter

20 November, 2009

Dear Parents,

This last week saw two groups of children from our school taking part in two very different events. Firstly, six children from Coly Class took part in a Technology and Enterprise Workshop at the Axe Valley College. They had to make, package and market muffins and their production and business skills were then judged at the end of the day. Our children came first scoring almost full marks on taste, appearance and packaging so, successfully seeing off competition from the other five schools. Dare I say it but we may have some potential 'Alan Sugars' in our school! Secondly, twelve children from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Indoor Athletics Competition on Wednesday after school. They did incredibly well achieving third place. Ella Burdett was singled out for having the longest standing chest throw at 8 metres. Congratulations to everyone.

Thank you to everyone who made this year's Shoe Boxes. We had, on Monday at our assembly, thirty-one boxes in all, so beating last year's total. They are now on their way to some very deserving children. We are as always very grateful to the Baptist Church for organising this appeal.

We raised £26.77 for this year's Poppy Appeal and again thank you to all.

As promised in one of my previous newsletters, our Christmas Production this year is 'Tales from the Arabian Nights'. The children are about to start practicing for the show and further information will be coming out to you regarding costumes and props. If anyone can help with scenery will you please let me know as soon as possible. We need some large silhouettes of domed buildings, with arches and curved windows, etc.

Parents of children in Coly Class, please don't forget they are visiting @Bristol on Monday and will not be back until around 6pm. As it will be dark, when we return can I please ask you to allow us to walk the children back to school from the car park and dismiss them from there to ensure all children are accounted for and safely with a parent or other nominated adult.

Please note that as from this coming week menus will be given out, and e-mailed, on Tuesday's. Hopefully, this will enable the return of them to Mrs Harding by the Friday.

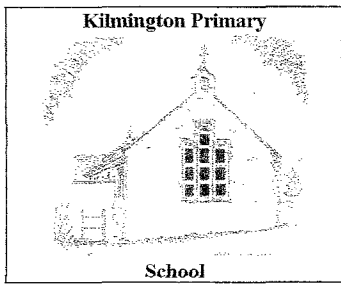
Finally, attached to this newsletter is information about this year's Christmas Lunch at school for the children. I know it is still only November but the kitchen needs to get ordering to ensure they have what they need. Also attached is information about an informative evening being held at the Axe Valley College and the PTFA Film Afternoon.

Malcolm Bettison

Message from Mrs Holmes & Mrs McCollum

Re: Prayer Group

A prayer group has been suggested to offer support and encouragement to anyone and everyone involved at Kilmington School: all pupils, their families and staff. Anyone who would like to be involved is really welcome and can come to The Vicarage (next to the Village Hall) on Monday, 23 November at 9am where we will meet for about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. The plan is then to meet on alternate Mondays after school drop-off. If you have any prayer requests (it can be absolutely anything!) you will find a box outside Mrs. Harding's office to pop them in - please feel free to use it and know that you are being thought of. See Lucy Holmes or Jo McCollum for more details.



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Dear Parents,

Below is the menu for the children's Christmas lunch on Friday, 18 December, the cost is the normal £1.95. To aid Mrs Adair in her ordering please fill out the form at the bottom and return it to school by Friday, 4 December. It would be appreciated if everyone returns the form.

- Roast Turkey with stuffing and Sausage or Vegetable Roast
- Roast Potatoes
- Baton Carrots
- Brussel Sprouts

- Homemade Christmas Pudding with Custard
- Mince Pie with Custard
- Chocolate Yule Log
- Iced Smoothie

Yours sincerely,

Malcolm Bettison

Christmas Lunch Choices - please return by Friday, 4 December

Name:			
Will bring own packed lunch			
Roast Turkey/stuffing/sausage			
Vegetable Roast			
Christmas Pudding / Custard			
Mince Pie / Custard			
Chocolate Yule Log			
Iced Smoothie			

So...Think U Know??

INTERACTIVE INTERNET SAFETY AWARENESS EVENING

The internet has increasingly become part of everyday life. As parents/carers, do you feel you have enough knowledge to keep your children safe while allowing them to benefit from the many advantages of using the internet?

Are you confident that you understand issues around:

- **Cyberbullying?**
- **How children use chat rooms?**
- **What is instant messenger?**
- **Access to the internet from mobile phones, games consoles etc?**
- **The latest social network sites?**
- **Protecting your child from potential 'grooming'?**

The Axe Valley Community College is hosting an Interactive Internet Safety Awareness evening to which all parents across the Learning Community are invited. The number of places is restricted and these will be allocated on a 'first come first served' basis. PC Hayley Taylor, Youth Intervention Officer, will take you through the many different ways children now access and use the internet and discuss the best ways of ensuring that you can support your children and keep them safe. The event will take place on:

**THURSDAY 3RD DECEMBER 6.30-8.30PM AT THE AXE VALLEY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUSINESS CENTRE**

If you would like to attend, please complete the reply slip below and return it to: Joan Tremblett, Parent Support Worker, The Axe Valley Community College, Chard Street, Axminster EX13 5EA, or e-mail joan.tremblett@axevalleycommunitycollege.sch.uk by **27th November 2009**.

Please reserve ONE/TWO (delete as required) place(s) for me at the Internet Safety Awareness Evening on 3rd December 2009.

Name:.....Contact number:.....

PTFA END OF TERM FILM AFTERNOON

On Friday 11th December the PTFA will be holding a Film Afternoon for all pupils of Kilmington Primary School. This is to give the children an end of term treat and to give parents some time to do some Christmas shopping!

The film will suit all ages and will be 'Ice Age 3'.

The children will be taken over to the Village Hall at 3.30pm and can be picked up from the hall at 6pm. Mr Bettison and several members of the PTFA Committee will be looking after the children whilst they are in the hall.

During the interval the children will be given hot dogs, fairy cakes and a soft drink. The cost of the evening will be £1 per child.

Please can you complete the slip below to indicate whether your child/children will be attending and their food choice. Completed slips, together with the money should be returned to Mrs Harding by Friday 27th November **at the latest**.

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My child/children..... would like to attend the film evening. I enclose £.....

In the event of any problems please could we have a contact number so that we can get hold of you.

Contact number.....

If your child/children are vegetarian please let us know.

Many thanks

The PTFA