



Lydeard St Lawrence SCHOOL NEWS

Autumn 2007

December 19th

May I thank you for your generous participation in all our Christmas activities this year. In addition to the PTFA fund raising events (including the school calendars) you have kindly provided 45 boxes of Christmas joy for children in less fortunate circumstances, given £88 at the Christingle service for the Children's Society and raised an amazing £285.25 for the NSPCC at the concerts. A big thank you to the children for doing such a marvellous job, and to you for supporting them in this way. It is good to think that they will be helping others and that they gave us such a great deal of enjoyment at the same time. I would also like to thank the entire staff for helping to make the children's experiences this term so rich and exciting. Not many schools of our size can offer such a variety of visits, visitors and opportunities to their children, and the staff work very hard to make this happen.

I would like to put together an album (virtual or 'real') of our wonderful 'Scrooge' performance and would be grateful if you could e-mail me with any especially good photographs (or on disc if there are lots) that you may have taken. I have the most beautiful picture of angels, which I hope to be able to use for a school card and I am sure some of you may have equally good shots of your children. I would also like you to fill in the attached response form if you or any of your family who saw 'Scrooge' (or attended the Christingle or Christmas Fayre) would like to make a comment for our album. It would be lovely to share with the children some of the comments that have been passed on to me verbally, in a more lasting form. Thank you very much.

The football players are now officially at the top of the small schools' League and will be representing the area at the county play-offs in Yeovil in January! Well done everyone!

We have also been awarded the Active Mark for our provision of high quality PE in school time and opportunities to play other sports after school. We are very proud of the contribution all our school teams make and their commitment to the school and their sports.

There will be no clubs in the first week of school next term, but individual music teachers will let you know if they are giving lessons that week. We hope that Mrs Foyle will have enough students to continue with piano lessons in school, but this is dependent on how she can fit this in with her other commitments. Please contact her tomorrow if you think your child may be interested in beginning piano.

On that note, although we are very sad to see Mrs Foyle go and will miss her enormously, we have today appointed our new secretary, Sarah Wood, and she will take up her post in January.

Good Work assembly is tomorrow at 1.30pm in the school hall.

Would you please help us to put our website at the top of the search engine lists by logging on as often as possible over the holidays. The site with most hits is the one that comes top of the list and it is currently a recruitment site! The web address is at the bottom of the page. Christmas pictures will be on there as soon as the discs reach Mr McMillan in the Christmas post!

And finally, we would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year. See you all on Monday, 7th January, 2008.

Gill Stripp
Headteacher.-