



Lydeard St Lawrence
SCHOOL NEWS

Autumn 2008

19th November

The horrible winter bugs are back with us, and having had it myself, I can vouch for the fact that the children really do feel poorly and take a while to get over it! We have a number of children who appear to be recovered from the stomach upset but are left with nasty headaches, and fatigue by the end of the day. Use your discretion as to when they are fit to return and we will monitor the situation at school.

Well done to our footballers, undefeated in the latest round of matches in the school league, and playing very well as a team!

I had my brain surgeon outfit all ready for Friday, but missed all the fun! Well done to everyone who raised £70 for Children in Need. We will put some of the photos on the website.

It is often difficult to keep tabs on the website and ensure things are updated frequently, as that is essential if it is to be used as an information tool. If anyone would be prepared to go through the site and highlight the pages for updating and proof read for errors, please contact Sarah at the school address below.

The Christmas Fair is rapidly approaching and lots of things are being organised. Don't forget the non-uniform day tomorrow, in exchange for a contribution to the fair. The wreaths will be made on Thursday and Friday 27th and 28th November, and evergreen cuttings should come in to school on Wednesday please. (Softwood greenery tends to shrivel abit too much. Box and privet are especially welcome to keep the size of the wreaths to manageable proportions.

Marina Livesey and the Elves will be creating another fabulous grotto for Santa, and would be grateful for the loan of small artificial trees, strings of fairy lights and garlands to create this. Please leave named items in the library area for her.

PTFA newsletter is coming home today.

To complete our travel plan, we are sending out the necessary questionnaires for parents. Staff and pupils have already contributed to this audit and the format is a standard county template. If you wish to add any other comments/ideas/suggestions as to how we reduce the impact of cars outside the school and increase the safety of our children do add any constructive comments for us to feed back to the Local Authority.

As you are such a generous community, Mrs O'Brien is liaising once again with the Women's Refuge in Taunton to help make someone's Christmas a little less dreadful. Please see her letter explaining how you could help.

Our Christmas will be underway at 6.30pm on Friday 28th December – we look forward to seeing your families there!

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Headteacher.