

## Stourhead

Medlycott Class visited Stourhead, as part of their learning about Autumn. They took pictures of the trees with the changing colour of the leaves, sketched the surroundings, collected rainbow coloured items and made leaf rubbings.

## Nativity Play

This is a reminder that the Nativity Play 'Bethlehem's Buzzing' is taking place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 10am and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in the school hall. There will be a crèche in the library for all babies and younger children during these performances. There is no need to book a place for the crèche, simply bring your children to the library before the performances begin. The dress rehearsal is taking place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December and younger siblings are welcome to attend this performance.

## Christmas Light Switch on

Many of you will have attended the village Christmas Light switch on last Friday, signalling the start of the festive season. Well done to Léa and Florence for switching the lights on and to the school choir for leading the carol singing alongside the Sherborne Town Band.

## Watches

The school has had a 'no watches' rule for many years. We are however now relaxing that rule and are allowing children from Years 2 to Year 6 to wear watches to school, should they wish. Our aim is to help more children learn to tell the time. Please note that children should be discouraged from bringing

expensive or valuable watches to school and Fitbits or similar devices are **not allowed at all**.

## Open Brass Lesson

Parents of Year 4 children are invited to attend the children's brass lesson next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 1.15pm in the school hall. You will be able to hear everything the children have been learning on their trumpets this term with Mr Bertie. Please come to the school office just after 1pm to sign in.

## Healthy Lunchboxes

We would like to remind parents about our healthy lunchbox rule. Children's lunchboxes should contain healthy items of food and no sweets or chocolate bars or packets. A small amount of chocolate for example - a chocolate covered biscuit - is allowed, however anything that comes from a confectionary shelf or counter should not be included in lunchboxes. Please do come and ask the school office if you have any queries about the items that the children are allowed in their lunchboxes.

## Drinks

The children are allowed to bring squash to school for their lunch but must have water **only** in their water bottles to drink during lessons.

## Playtime Snack

The children are encouraged to bring a healthy fruit or vegetable snack to school to have during break time. This should be fresh fruit and vegetables or dry fruit such as raisins. Fruit Winders and similar products are not

permitted. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

## Children in Need

Well done to all the children for their fantastic efforts to raise money for Children in Need this year. After a very successful Bring and Buy Sale and Mufti Day, we raised a total of £235.31.

## NSPCC to Visit School

Next week, the NSPCC will be visiting school to deliver assemblies to all children and will return the following week to run a workshop for children in Years 5 and 6.

## KEY DATES:

- 1<sup>st</sup> December: Christmas Fayre after school
- 4<sup>th</sup> Dec: NSPCC assemblies
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Choir to Wells
- 7<sup>th</sup> Dec: Open brass lesson
- 11<sup>th</sup> Dec: NSPCC workshop for Y5&6
- 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Choir to sing to Lunchclub, Nativity dress rehearsal at 1.45pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nativity performance at 10am
- 14<sup>th</sup> Dec: Nativity performance at 2pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> Dec: Venn Class cake sale and choir to sing to Wheathill residents
- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec: Church service at 10.30am and school Christmas lunch
- 21<sup>st</sup> Dec: Children's parties (details to follow) and children break up
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – 7<sup>th</sup> January: Christmas holiday
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Jan: INSET day
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January: Back to school for Spring Term



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