


We are currently advertising for a Deputy Headteacher and expect to interview on Monday 21st October with the successful applicant beginning in January 2014. I look forward to reporting to you on the outcome of this important new addition to our teaching team at Barnes Farm.

Our new building is set to partially open in the week before half term with the book fair open every day from 3:15 to 4:00pm.

Please feel free to come and have a wander round. The official opening will be in the first week of December.

Year 6 will be running a Cake Sale on Thursday and Friday 17th/18th October next week to support their Make Poverty History unit. All proceeds go to **Water Aid**, an international charity that transforms lives by improving access to safe water, hygiene and sanitation. Please donate cakes on Thursday morning to take part or send in your child with a donation.

Finally, I will be available to speak to any parents during Parent Consultation week beginning 21st October.

 Mr McTaggart— Headteacher



## Operation Christmas Child




Last year we donated 86 shoeboxes to some of the 100 million children in over 150 countries who have been supported by this worthy charity since 1990. They were filled with simple goodies such as :


- ✓ **Toys**
- ✓ **Hygiene items**
- ✓ **Educational supplies**
- ✓ **Simple clothing or other small items**

Can you please begin collecting items? There will be an assembly for the children on Monday to help guide them as well as an **information leaflet** on the school website.

Thanks in advance and let's see if we can beat 86!

### Sporting Update

 Our football team beat Baddow Hall Junior School 3-1 in a match last week. The boys played really well as a team.

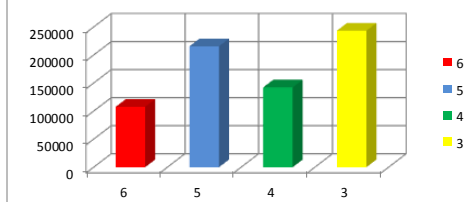
 Some of our Year 3 and 4 pupils took part in their first ever cross-country experience in the wind yesterday at Melbourne Park. They enjoyed it and we achieved some good results.

### Winter Bazaar Saturday 23rd Nov 2pm-4pm

Would you be willing to advertise this popular event? We are looking for volunteers to host a property board at home. Please e-mail Rebecca on [R72pascoeyouell@gmail.com](mailto:R72pascoeyouell@gmail.com) by Weds 16th October.

### Mathletics Year Group Challenge

Mathletics points Autumn Term 2013



Every time your child logs on to Mathletics their points are added to their year group for a bonus at the end of the term.

Y3 still in the lead so far!

### Forthcoming Dates

Parents Evening week—begins 21st October.

Mon 28th Oct—Fri 1st Nov Half Term

Mon 4th Nov Non-Pupil Day

Tues 5th Nov Pupils return

Fri 20th Dec End of Term

Mon 6th Jan Pupils return

Fri 14th Feb Non-Pupil day

Fri 4th Apr End of Term

Tues 22nd Apr Non-Pupil Day



### Harvest Foodbank Appeal

We are still looking for donations of tinned goods (not soup) to send to the Chelmsford Foodbank. Our Harvest Festival celebration is at the Church of Our Saviour on Wednesday 16th Oct