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**Kindergarten girl at
School for the Deaf No. 2**

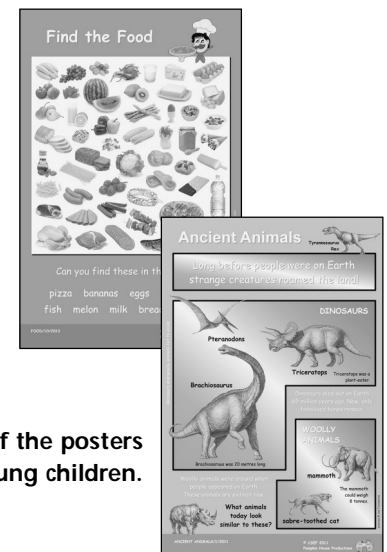
Transylvanian Autism Association

The Autism Association has had many accommodation-related problems recently because of short-term leases and several changes of location. The CSEF is very keen to help this well-motivated group to create and equip modern therapy rooms for the 50+ children now undergoing therapy. To this end we are encouraging the Association to find suitable premises on a long-term lease. Following on-site meetings with the directors of the Association in March and again in June we hope the accommodation problems will be shortly resolved. At that time the CSEF will immediately initiate a programme of upgrades. Regarding educational materials suitable for children with autism, we require a further **£1,300** for a set of specialist photocards that are essential in the development of these children with very special needs.

Educational Materials

For many years the CSEF has been involved with the development of educational materials specially tailored to the requirements of children with hearing difficulties. A set of twelve bookbags produced by the Foundation, each containing ten different activities, have been in routine use at the (Hungarian) School for the Deaf No. 2, Cluj-Napoca for several years. Last time we reported that we had been designing a large set of educational posters for a bare hallway and some drab stairways at the school. We are pleased to announce that the set of 350 posters are finished - at least they are finished in the English language! Now we have to complete their translation into Hungarian and have them printed. Part of this batch has been on display at the school this year. We hope to extend the displays to a long hallway this summer. The work is only part-funded and we need **£1,200** to finish the project.

We thank Albin Závody, Andrea Biró and Mónika Dózsa for their invaluable help and support with this project.



**Two of the posters
for young children.**

Change of Direction?

We understand that the current Director of School for the Deaf No. 2, Cluj-Napoca, Erzsebet Wolf, retires this summer. We thank her for supporting our work at the school over the past decade and wish her a long and healthy retirement.

We are watching with intense interest who will become the new director in her place.

More Donors Urgently Needed

The CSEF is most anxious to find new donors and sponsors for its projects. Like many other UK charities, the CSEF finds fundraising very difficult in these harsh financial times. PLEASE can you find additional individuals and organisations that would help us in our work for the Romanian special needs children? Your help is really needed.

The Trustees of the CSEF sincerely thank everyone who continues to provide essential support for their projects.

Please help us continue our work

We need your continued support to help the Romanian children. Please make any cheques payable to CSEF and send to:
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