




# Alkrington Primary School Newsletter Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2019



Most After-School activities are cancelled in the last week of a term. The ones still on next week are listed below. Details will be made available of the activities for the summer term, beginning in the week commencing Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April** Year 6 Reading Groups 3.15 – 4.00 p.m.
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April** Y5 Tag Rugby Competition
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** 9.15 a.m. Year 1 Assembly – parents/carers welcome  
Yr 6 Maths Groups 3.15 – 4.00 pm.
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April** Y4 Tag Rugby Competition
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April** **Non-Uniform Day** – donations of £1 per pupil or £2 max per family please.  
Easter Bonnet Parade for children in Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2  
Decorated Egg competition for children in KS2  
School closes at 3.15 p.m.
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April** School re-opens at 9.00 a.m. for the Summer Term

Attendance Ted will be awarded jointly to 3H and 6K who had 99 % attendance – well done!!



On Time Ted also to 2C – 0 lates. Also 0 lates – 2B and 3A

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### Community Week

Next week, the children will be involved in a week of activities aimed at increasing involvement in the local community and supporting local causes. Activities during the week include:

- Working with the local Countryside Ranger
- Church visits
- Litter Picking – Wince Brook Park
- Community focussed assemblies
- Workshops delivered by the WE Charity
- Careers workshops delivered by Hopwood Hall College.

During the week we will be introducing to the children a plan for a sponsored 'Community Clean Up'. We aim to raise a £1000 which, with the support of North West Ambulance Service will pay for a defibrillator to be placed on the outside of the school gates.

We want the children to see that, in the short and long term, they can make a difference to the community they live in.

### After School Activities

Please be aware that next week, there will be **no after school activities** except for those listed above.

### Rochdale Spelling Bee

Congratulations and good luck to Niamh Dolan in Y6, pictured. She was victorious in our school competition to find the Alkrington Spelling Bee Champion a few weeks ago. She will, on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April, take part in the Semi-Final of the Rochdale event, at Kingsway High School. Good luck Niamh!



### Year 1

Next week, on Wednesday morning at 9.15 a.m., Y1 will be performing an assembly. Parents/carers/family are welcome to attend.

Class 1M's teacher Mrs Moran, has, as I am sure that many of

you are aware, been absent from school for some time. Unfortunately, there is no immediate sign of her return. Her absence has been covered by Mrs Byron-Hehir and ably supported by TAs Mrs Harrison and Miss Costa.

### Daily Run Weekly Champions

- The winners for the week ending 22<sup>nd</sup> March are:
- 1P Jessica Savage
  - 1M Mia Fallon
  - 2C Yastha Mimbulu
  - 2B Karina Lee
  - 3H Brooke McMahon
  - 3A Joshua Landregan
  - 4W Ruby Halliday
  - 4M Amirah Adeleke
  - 5E Talia Sutton
  - 5H Isla Masters
  - 6K Jessica Bonar
  - 6M Oliver Diao



### Down's Syndrome Awareness

Thanks again to all who wore their odd socks last week in support of a



local charity, DS West Pennine, supporting children and families, Thank you also for providing your child with £1 to buy a gingerbread biscuit. All proceeds to the charity. The total raised was £484.

### **Easter Disco and Talent Show**

There will be events for KS1 (Y1 and Y2) and KS2 (Y3-6) on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April.**

This is a chance to show off your talents and have fun, and for us to raise some more funds for the Robinwood Y5 trip.

The KS1 Disco is from 3,30 – 4.30 p.m. children may bring some party clothes to chance into, and:



KS2 from 6.00 – 8.00 p.m. both in the main hall.

So far most of the KS2 tickets have been sold and 1/2 of the KS1 tickets so be quick to avoid disappointment. Tickets are £3.00 each, including a drink and a snack and available from the school office or at KS2 Tuck Shop.

### **Easter Events**

We will, as usual, have on the last day of term, **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**, an **Easter Bonnet Parade** for children in the Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 and a **Decorated Egg Competition** for children in KS2.

### **Sickness Bug**

If your child has been suffering from diarrhoea and / or vomiting please ensure that they are safe to return to school without the risk of infecting others.

We remind children of the need for good hygiene practice and our school policy is that children should remain absent from school for a period of 48 hours following to ensure that the infection does not spread.

### **Easter Holiday Club (& Summer)**

School is operating childcare clubs in each of these holidays. A letter to parents/carers was sent out yesterday and is available on the school website & on Twitter. If you are interested in using this facility, please respond quickly as places are limited.

#### **Easter Holiday**

Mon 8th to Fri 12th April, and; Mon 15th to Thurs 18th April  
Full day 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.  
Part day sessions 8.00 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. or 12.45 to 5.00 p.m.  
Cost £16 per day or £8 per session

Lower rates for 5 days in total or the full 9 days

Additional sibling rate also available.

#### **Summer Holiday**

The first four full weeks of the summer break, beginning; Monday 22nd, 29th July  
Monday 5th and 12th August

#### **Robinwood Visit for current Y4 pupils**

Look out for the letter, given to children last week and available on the school website, inviting children currently in Y4 to sign up for the trip to Robinwood.

The visit (for current Y4) has been booked for **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2019.**

#### **Parent Pay**

Please could parents register as soon as possible with the code provided on your letter.



Payment items are now live and you can pay for dinner money, Nursery Fees, Trips, Before and After School Club and all other kinds of payments. Fees for Nursery, Breakfast Club, After School Club, music fees, trips are due at the start of each term, payable in advance. Please log onto ParentPay to look at your child's balances. We have now ceased using the Agora system and will

be moving to become cashless over the coming months.

If you are unable to, or prefer not to pay online, it is possible to get a PayPoint card, which can be used in retailers and at the Post Office etc. So far 74% of parents have signed up to ParentPay.

If you have any queries, please call at the school office for further information. Have a look on the Home page of the school website for a link to access the system.

#### **Other dates/events**

- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> March  
Y5 to Sea life Centre
- Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> April  
KS1 & KS2 Easter Disco
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April  
Easter Bonnets and Eggs Competition  
Break up for Easter holiday  
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- **Tues** 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
Return to school
- W/B 20<sup>th</sup> May  
Walk to School Week

#### **Menu for week beginning**

##### **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019**

**Monday:** - All Day Breakfast, strawberry cheesecake.

**Tuesday:** -Sweet & Sour Chicken. Fruit & Jelly.

**Wednesday:** - Toasted Paninis or fish fingers. Homemade cookies.

**Thursday:** - Cheese & Onion Pie, sausage rolls. Chocolate cake and custard.

**Friday:** - Fun Friday

There are always the options of sandwiches; jacket potato and, on some days, soup.

Thank you for your continued support.



Mr T Barnes (Headteacher)