

Alkrington Primary School Newsletter Thursday 19th July 2018

Friday 20th July

Y6 Leavers' Assembly – starts at 10.45 to 12 noon
Y6 children finish school at 12 noon

Wednesday 5th September

School reopens at 9.00 a.m.
After school clubs expected to begin during the week beginning 17th September
Arrangements for the Nursery and Reception pupils may be different

Attendance Ted will be awarded to 3B and 5M who had 99.3% attendance – well done!!

Best attendance for the whole year was Class 5M – 97.3%



On Time Ted will awarded to 1P, 3B, 5C, 5M

Best punctuality for the whole year was Class 5C – with 28 lates

After School Club

This evening the ASC staff are trying out the new plan for managing the extra numbers of children who are joining in September.

All children will assemble at the end of the school day in the small (infant) hall. They will be registered and given their snack, and at 4.00 p.m. will, in September, divide between the Community Rooms (N, R and KS1) and the Main Hall (KS2).

This evening the plan is:
3.15 Assemble in small hall
4.00 Move to the Community Room

Therefore, if you collect your child before 4.00 p.m., please do so from the small hall. – access via the school main entrance.

Results of Assessments across the school in 2018

A document which shows the summary of outcomes, for this year and previous years, is available on the school website, with national averages for comparison. Just a few more details needed to complete the chart as some national averages

and other results are not yet know.

Results include: at the end of the Reception year, Y1 phonics, Y2 SATs and Y6 SATs

End of the School Year...and start of the next!

The summer holidays will soon be with us. School closes on Friday 20th July at 3.15 p.m. Y6 children finish earlier on the same day, at 12 noon.

The **Y6 Leavers' Assembly** is at 10.45 a.m. on Friday, parents and carers are welcome to join us.

If you are not aware already, I have had a request from GM Police to ask parents/carers to ensure that Y6 children do not congregate in Middleton during the afternoon. There are concerns about public order if this happens.

School reopens on Wednesday 5th September at 9.00 a.m.

Please remember Winter Uniform, shirt and tie, for the new school year.

Building work, extending the Nursery and replacing the hot

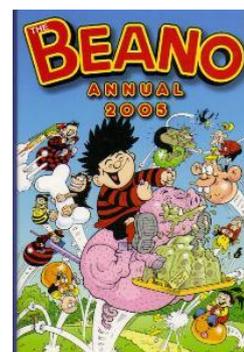
and cold pipework is taking place during the holiday, so whilst school is open, it is not accessible other than areas designated for holiday club or the football school.

The Summer Holiday Club is running for the first two weeks of the holiday, based in the Community Rooms.

The office staff will be in school on Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th September, if you need to ask about anything ready for the new start, including buying/collecting uniform.

Summer Reading Challenge

One of the nation's best loved children's comics will provide the inspiration for this year's Summer



Reading Challenge across local libraries.

The Beano has charmed generations of young people with popular characters like Dennis the Menace, Roger the Dodger and the Bash Street Kids.

Now, 80 years on since it first hit the shelves, the anniversary of the famous title will be celebrated through this year's Reading Challenge theme, Mischief Makers.

Children can sign up at any of the borough's 17 libraries, where they will receive a collector's poster of 'Beanotown' to help keep a record of their Summer Reading Challenge journey. As they read their books, each child will receive special stickers to complete their poster.

The reading challenge is free and open to children aged 4 to 11. It encourages them to read up to six titles over the school summer holiday. All youngsters completing the challenge will be presented with certificates and medals.

There is a link on the 'Home' page of the school website to the website, which has more information, or go direct to: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

Unwanted old shoes?

Put your old shoes to good use. We have volunteered to help with a scheme where donated old school shoes are sent to children overseas.



I hope that you can contribute to this scheme, by doing the following:

- If you have a pair of school shoes which you do not intend to use again, bring them to school tomorrow (Friday)
- If it is the pair that your child is wearing, bring

some other footwear to wear on the way home.

- Leave the donated shoes in each class at the end of the day
- Shoes are donated to the 'Recycling shoes for Ugandan Children' charity.

Thank you!

The School Website

I mentioned in last week's newsletter that the class blogs cannot be accessed. The web hosting company are demanding additional payment for this service so we are seeking alternative, and much cheaper, ways to provide this service.

The school has set up a Twitter account. It is in its infancy at the moment, but from September we are intending to use this to post images and stories, which will be of interest to you.

Our Twitter account – to follow – @AlkingtonPS

Come and join us!

Some places have appeared in some classes in our school as children and families have moved out of the local area.



You may know people who might be interested in joining our school family.

At the moment there is one or more places available in the following year groups: Y1, Y4 and Y5

Please enquire at the school office if you are interested, or you know someone who is. There is also limited space in Breakfast, from 7.30 a.m. and After School Club, until 5.40 p.m. Places for September in our Nursery and Reception classes are all full – sorry!

School Meals

From September school meals will be provided by school and not by the current providers, Rochdale Council and features an exciting new menu which will be circulated to parents as soon as it



is available.

The price of school meals will be increasing to £2.15 per day, £10.75 per week which is in line with prices across all Rochdale schools.

Please send dinner money for your child in an envelope with their name and class clearly marked. Alternatively, you can pay via our online system, Agora. Ask at the office if you need help with this.

The holidays are (almost) here!

I wish you all a great summer break. Please encourage your child(ren) to spend more time running, jumping, cycling, walking, reading, exploring, climbing and talking; amongst other things, and less time sat indoors playing on or watching a screen, large or small.

Thank you for your continued support.



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