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Young Voices Reminder



The choir will be performing at this year's Young Voices concert. If your child is in the school choir, which runs on a Monday after school they do not have to take part in the Young Voices Concert, but they will be involved in rehearsals. If you wish your child to take part in the concert please contact Mrs Slatter or Mrs Newitt. You will have been issued with information about how to book tickets and purchase merchandise if you want to. There is no obligation for pupils to wear the Young Voices T-Shirts.

Governing Body

The Chair and Vice Chair of our governing body have been elected. They are Mr Williams (Chair) and Mr Quinn (Vice Chair). I would like to take this opportunity to thank our previous Vice Chair, Mr Eric Davies, for supporting the school. He remains on the governing body.

SEESAW



We are introducing seesaw across the school as a vehicle for communication with parents. Although it is early days, we hope that this will be an exciting way to share what the children have been learning at school with you. Your child's teacher will contact you regarding the set-up of the system and how they will use it. The Headteacher's newsletter will be issued every two weeks from now on as I hope that communications between home and school will benefit hugely from the adoption of SEESAW. We will continue to send email and text alerts as necessary.

Team points

The winners of the cup are **Othello Yellow**. Well done all of you!



Data Collection Sheets

Data collection sheets will be sent out early next week. Please can you check them carefully as it is important that we have up-to-date contact details for all children? Forms need to be signed as soon as possible and returned to the school office (even if there are no changes).

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

If there are any changes relating to who is collecting your child at the end of a school day please ensure that you inform the school office before the end of day. Thank you. If your child is in Year 6 and you wish for them to walk home alone, please let school know in writing as soon as possible. This also applies to after school clubs.

May we politely request that parents do not use the side gate adjoining the car park with Cygnets as a short-cut to walk across the playground back onto Knights Lane. It is not safe to do so. If you need to access school during school hours, this should be via the kissing gate at the front of the school. Thank you

Donations for Church Harvest Festival

The church is holding its Harvest Festival Service at the Tiddington Community Centre on Sunday the **7th October at 10:00am**. The school Harvest service will be on 23rd October at 2:15pm, also in the church. We would appreciate it if you would contribute to the harvest mountain that we would like to



create at school. We will be collecting food for the Stratford Food Bank. Particularly needed are donations of rice pudding, tinned veg (especially potatoes), instant potatoes, tinned fruit, juice (long life) and biscuits. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you to everyone for their support of the **Jeans for Genes day** event today. We had blue jeans, denim skirts, shirts, shorts, dungarees, blue clothes and lots of DOUBLE DENIM. It was so nice to see the children engaged and aware of the Genetics Disorders UK charity. In our collective worship assemblies we have heard about Oscar, a boy with Downs Syndrome and Tamilore who has sickle Cell Anaemia. The children of Alveston have been able to talk about genetic disorders and they are happy to support this, our charity for 2018-19. Thank you to the three year five girls (Daisy, Nell and Faith) and all of Mr Foyle's class for taking charge of this charity event. You have done a great job.



Team Colours

On **2nd October** we will be holding our Team Colours day when children will be able to meet others, throughout the school, who are in the same team as they are. Children should come to school dressed in the appropriate colour, or in an item of clothing of that colour.

Playground Buddies

Well done to Year 2 who have done a fabulous job so far providing support and friendship to our new pupils in Year R. They have all been so mature about taking on the role. Keep it up Year 2.

"The year 2 students sometimes have to look after the Receptions. Sometimes we have to tell them where the toilet is. Also finding a friend to play with. Receptions like having a big one beside them – By Josie Year 2

Reading Friends

Reception children were visited by Year 6 children today. Each Year 6 child shared a book with a Reception child for a short time, reading to them and discussing the pictures. It was wonderful to see Year 6 so enthusiastic and taking great care in this role- they even made a handmade card for their Reception buddy. A good time was had by all! We hope this will become a regular event and a special friendship can be formed between the oldest and youngest children in our school.



Aiming High: Achieving at Alveston

Over the next two weeks:

Photographs

The photographer will be coming from the Herald to take a photograph of the new Reception children for the newspaper on Monday 24th September.

Team Colour 'get-togethers' - 2nd October – See above

Football

Alveston team are playing Thomas Jolyffe School Away on 2nd October. Good Luck to our mixed team.

Cross of Nails

The cross of Nails pilgrimage is taking place at the moment. We will be receiving the Cross from Ferncumbe C of E Primary School on Wednesday 26th September and we will have a short service to commemorate its arrival. We will then be looking after the cross until Friday 28th when it will go to Illmington C of E Primary School.