

NEWSLETTER

Aylmerton Residential Trip



The children who took part in the Norfolk trip this week have been great ambassadors for the school. They have had a fantastic week taking part in many activities including a trip to Blakeney to see the seals and explore the salt marshes, orienteering, splash swimming (they particularly enjoyed the wave machine) and a disco.



They finished their activities today with a trip to the Zoo before their journey home.

After School Club

This week in After School Club we have enjoyed our board games and specially our construction games. The children worked patiently together and created very tall towers, buildings and other interesting structures using Duplo blocks, Jenga blocks, Knex and Stickle bricks.

As the weather is still so warm and pleasant we have been able to enjoy the outside areas as much as possible. The children played ball games and various team games in the playground.

For cooking this week we made our own cheesy straws. The children all really enjoyed this very messy activity and we have been told that the cheesy straws were really tasty.

Celtic Harmony

Last Friday, Year Three travelled back in time to the Stone Age. We watched as our time travelling guides lit fires using traditional methods whilst cosy in a wattle and daub hut.

Our two groups, the Bears and the Wolves, then ventured through history; hunting mammoth, foraging in the forest and building shelters.

A fantastic time was had by all the children although some were not keen on the composting toilets!

Harvest Festival


This week the children have been busy bringing in their donations for the local food bank. We have been overwhelmed by the number of items that children have brought in and would like to thank you all for your generosity. All of the donations will make a huge difference to many families within the local community.

Meet the Teacher

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all of the parents and carers who attended our Meet the Teacher sessions this week and last week. Children spend more time at home than they do at school and the more we can work together then the better they will achieve. If you were unable to attend the sessions please contact your

class teacher directly to find out what you missed.

Macmillan Coffee Morning



Please join us in the Dining Hall from 8.30-9.30 on **Friday 5th October 2018** where we will be serving tea/coffee and cakes for a small fee, to help raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

We are requesting donations of cakes and biscuits to be sold on the day, please send these into the office from Wednesday 3rd October 2018.

Sports

Arsenal doubles event at The Arsenal training ground 25th September 2018

On Tuesday a mixture of year 5 and 6 children participated in the Arsenal doubles event. The day consisted of the children learning about other languages in lots of team building exercises and participating in a football tournament that was being run entirely in German.

The children spent the first part of the afternoon learning some of the football terminology in French and German, the idea was that the children could take what they had learned in the first part of the session and use it to navigate themselves through the football tournament in German.

At the end of the day the children were treated to a really interesting Q and A session with current England International and Arsenal player Danielle Carter, they all participated well and asked lots of interesting questions.

Overall a great event for the school!

Accessing the School Site

Affinity Water will be working on the pathway outside the school at some point next week, please be careful when accessing the site.

Parent Consultation Appointments - 7th November 2018

Parent consultation appointments for you to see your child's class teacher on the 7th November are available for you to book via Parentmail from Wednesday 3rd October. Appointments will start at 1.30pm and run through to 8pm each appointment is for a ten minute slot and will take place in the school hall. If you are unable to log on please contact the school office and they can book the appointment for you.

Reminders

Collection of KS2 Pupils

When you arrive to collect your children at the end of the school day, please come through the pedestrian gate and wait in the playground, not on the path, to avoid congestion outside school. Children leaving school must wait on the pavement. This will make it easier for staff to see clearly who is collecting your child before allowing them to leave calmly and safely.

Collection of KS1 pupils

Can you ask for parents to wait by the classroom doors until all building work is complete.

Snacks

Please can we remind you to send in a healthy snack for children to eat at playtime, such as fruit or vegetables. We promote ourselves as a healthy school, therefore, sweets, crisps or chocolate are not allowed during morning break. Please note: The school is a "nut free zone".

Nuts:- We have several children in school who have **severe** allergic reactions to nuts. Please can I remind you that we **do not allow nuts of any sort in packed lunches** including peanut butter spread. With your support we will keep all of our children safe.

Uniform:- The children have all returned extremely smartly to school, please make sure that you have labeled all of your children's clothing as we already have items in lost property!

Jewellery:- We have had an increasing variety of jewellery coming into school this new school year. Due to the danger of earrings becoming caught whilst children play we only allow children to wear

small plain studs. Children need to be able to take out their own earrings for PE and swimming.

Playground Equipment

Please can you help us to keep the children safe before and after school.

Unfortunately the playground equipment is to be only used during the school day and not to be used before or after school when it is not supervised. A child had a serious break of their arm last year and we would not like any child to hurt themselves.

Coming to school by scooter or bike is an excellent way to travel. Despite the playground being a great place to ride and scoot around this can cause a hazard for other children particularly younger siblings. Please can you remind your children not to ride their bikes and scooters on the school site.

Medicines

We cannot administer any medication in school. If your child has been prescribed medication which needs to be taken at intervals during the day then please talk to your doctor about ensuring that these fit around the school day. If this is not possible then you will need to arrange for someone to come into school to administer the medication.

If your child has a long term medical condition that requires medication then please contact the school office to discuss this.

All medications need to be handed in at the school office and a medical form completed. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Group - KS2	% Possible	% Attend
4 Cherry	100	100
4 Willow	100	100
6 Hawthorn	100	100
3 Hazel	100	99.3
5 Sycamore	100	99.3
3 Cedar	100	98.3
5 Chestnut	100	97.7
6 Mulberry	100	93.6

Class Assemblies

Date	9.15am Start	9.45am Start
Friday 5 th October	3 - Cedar	1 - Beech
Friday 12 th October	4 - Cherry	2 - Birch
Friday 19 th October	5 - Chestnut	Rec - Ash & Rec - Elm
Friday 26 th October	6 - Mulberry	2-Maple
Friday 9 th November	3 - Hazel	1 - Holly
Friday 16 th November	4 - Willow	
Friday 23 rd November	5 - Sycamore	
Friday 30 th November	6 - Hawthorn	

Class Attendance

The classes with the best attendance from in Reception/KS1 is 1-Holly with 98.6% and in KS2 4-Cherry, 4-Willow and 6 Hawthorn with 100%... WELL DONE.

Group - Reception/KS1	% Possible	% Attend
1 Holly	100	98.6
2 Birch	100	98.3
1 Beech	100	94.5
Reception Elm	100	94.1
2 Maple	100	93.2
Reception Ash	100	91.7

Autumn Term Dates 2018

Fri 5 th Oct	8.30am Macmillan Coffee Morning
Fri 19 th Oct	FoCH Halloween Cake Sale
Weds 24 th October	School Photographer
Mon 29 th Oct - Fri 2 nd Nov	Half-Term
W/C Mon 5 th Nov	Book Fair
Wed 7 th Nov	Parent Consultation Appointments 1.10pm to 8pm
Wed 21 st Nov	e-Safety evening
Fri 30 th Nov	Non School Uniform donations for the Christmas Fair
Thur 6 th Dec	Last Club
Fri 7 th Dec	Christmas Fair

Tues 11 th Dec	10am - Nursery/Reception Performance
Tues 11 th Dec	1.30pm - KS1 Performance
Wed 12 th Dec	Christmas Dinner
Wed 12 th Dec	1.45pm Nursery/Reception Performance
Wed 12 th Dec	6.30pm - KS1 Performance
Thur 13 th Dec	3.15pm - Carol Concert
Fri 21 st Dec	Children finish at 1.15pm

Spring Term Dates 2019

Tues 8 th Jan	Children back
Fridays from 11 th Jan	Year 5 Swimming
Mon 14 th Jan	Clubs Start
Tues 15 th Jan	New Year Disco 3pm to 7.30pm (class times TBC)
Mon 18 th Feb - Fri 22 nd Feb	Half-Term
W/C 25 th Feb	Book Fair
Wed 27 th Feb	Parent Consultation Appointments 1.10pm to 8pm
W/C 11 th Mar	Science week
Wed 13 th Mar	Science Evening
Fri 15 th Mar	Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)
Thurs 28 th March	Year 2 trip to Roald Dahl Museum
Fri 29 th Mar	Last Club
Wed 3 rd Apr	Cowley's Got Talent
Fri 5 th Apr	Children finish at 1.15pm

Summer Term Dates 2019

Tue 23 rd Apr	Children back
Fridays from 26 th Apr	Year 6 Swimming
W/C 13 th May	Year 6 SATs
W/C 20 th May	Year 2 SATs
Mon 27 th to Fri 31 st May	Half-Term
Wed 5 th June	School Photographer
Wed 5 th June	New Parents Meeting Nursery - 6pm Reception - 7pm
W/C 10 th June	Phonics Screening Week (Year 1&2)
W/C 10 th & 17 th June	RSE Weeks
Wed 19 th June	FSU Sports Day (am)
Fri 21 st June	Year 1 to 6 sports Day (all day)
Fri 21 st June	No Swimming for Year 6
Mon 24 th June	INSET DAY
Fri 28 th June	Non School Uniform donations for the Summer Fair

Tues 2 nd July	Residential School Journey parent Meeting
Thur 4 th July	Last Club
Fri 5 th July	Summer Fair
Tues 9 th July	1.30pm Year 6 Performance - Dress Rehearsal
Wed 10 th July	7pm Year 6 Performance
Thurs 11 th July	Moving Up Day
Mon 15 th July	Open Evening 6-7pm
Wed 17 th July	Sports Presentation evening 5-7pm
Fri 19 th July	Children finish at 1.15pm

Term Dates for 2018/19

AUTUMN TERM 2018

Tuesday 4th September to Friday 21st December
Half-Term Week - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November

SPRING TERM 2019

Tuesday 8th January to Friday 5th April
Half-Term Week - Monday 18th to Friday 22nd February

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tuesday 23rd April to Friday 19th July
Half-Term Week - Monday 27th to Friday 31st May
No School - 24th June

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