



Alkrington Primary School Newsletter Thursday 31st January 2019



Monday 4th February

KS2 Netball 3.15 to 4.00pm
KS1 Year 1 & 2 Story time & Craft Colouring 3.15 to 4.00pm
Y6 Reading Groups with Mr Nott, Mr Knipe and Mrs Milnes – 3.15 – 4.00 p.m.

Tuesday 5th February

KS2 Boys Football 3.15 to 4.00pm
KS1 Year 1 & 2 Art Club 3.15 to 4.00pm
KS1 Year 1 & 2 Multisports 3.15 to 4.00

Wednesday 6th February

2.40 p.m. Class 2C Assembly – Parents/carers welcome

KS2 Mixed Rugby 3.15 to 4.00pm
Love of Books 3.15 to 4.00pm
Homework Club 3.15 to 4.00pm
Year 3 & 4 Art 3.15 to 4.00pm
Year 1& 2 Multisports 3.15 to 4.00 p.m.
Y6 Maths Groups 3-15 – 4.00 p.m.

Attendance Ted will be awarded to 5H who had 99.5 % attendance – well done!!



On Time Ted not awarded as no class had 0 lates

Thursday 7th February

Eco Club 3.15 to 4.00pm
KS2 Girls Football 3.15 to 4.00pm
KS1 Year 1 & 2 Homework Club 3.15 to 4.00

Friday 8th February

KS2 & Parents Cross Country 3.15 to 4.00pm – **Now open to Y2 Children & Parents**

The Weather

We have survived a week of wintry weather....so far. I expect that we can continue to do so. We will do our very best to remain open, as we understand the significant inconvenience caused when a school does close.

In the event of further ice/snow, I have to assess the conditions at school to determine whether it is safe for pupils and staff.



If the situation is so bad, that it is clear immediately that the school must close, this will be communicated via the school website 'Home' page, text message and on our Twitter feed, at the earliest opportunity.

Quite often, however, if the school does need to close, it is

because large numbers of staff cannot get to work. It can be relatively late before I know this, so as a general rule of thumb, I will arrange for a message to be delivered by 8.00 a.m. to indicate whether school is open or not.

Y3, 4, 5 Dance Festival

The performances for this year's festival will be on the evening on Tuesday 12th and Wednesday 13th February with performances beginning at 6.30p.m.



We expect all children to take part, and perform on each evening. It will be necessary for children to be here at 6.00 p.m. on each evening.

Details of tickets are on a separate letter, please look out for that and respond promptly. All proceeds go towards the Y5

Robinwood Fund, which provides a very generous subsidy for parents, significantly reducing the cost.

Mobile 'Phones

Our school policy states that children in Y5 and Y6 only, are able, with their parents'/carers' stated permission, may walk unaccompanied to and from school.

For this reason, we also allow children in these age groups to bring a mobile 'phone to school, in case it is needed on the way to or from school.

The handsets will be given to a staff member at the beginning of the school day and returned at the end.



It would not be appropriate for these children to use their 'phones in the school playground

at the beginning or end of school to, for example, take photographs or engage in other activities.

Please, therefore, be aware that children in other year groups must not bring a mobile 'phone to school.

Daily Run Weekly Champions

As you know we promote an active and healthy lifestyle at school, and one important aspect of this is the Daily Run. Children are encouraged to run 8 laps of the playground in the 10 minutes available.

Number of laps is recorded each day and a weekly trophy awarded to the best year group and the most improved year group.

Staff also choose a weekly winner from each class, who has shown great determination over the course of the week.

The winners for the week ending 25th January were:

- 1M Benjamin Walker
- 1P Ben Hollis
- 2B Oscar Wellings
- 2C William Dutton
- 3H Maisie Dutton
- 3A Mayowa Fadahunsi
- 4W David Pop
- 4M Daisy Louise Jibson
- 5E Ellie Mae Meara
- 5H Sara Costa
- 6K Oliver Bleakley White
- 6M Lylah Hussain



Parent Pay

Parents should now have received a letter and information booklet outlining our new payment system, Parent Pay. Please could you 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. We have now ceased using the Agora system and will be moving to become cashless over the coming months. The new



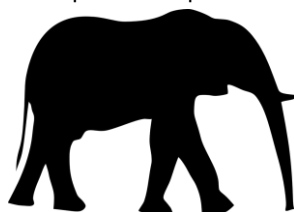
system is much more user friendly and we are sure it will make paying for school items much easier.

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 56% 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

- Tues 12th & Wed 13th Feb Y3, 4 & 5 Dance Festival at 6.30 p.m.
- Fri 15th Feb Break up for February holiday *****
- Mon 25th Feb Return to school
- W/B 4th March Waste Week
- Wed 6th March Robinwood Presentation evening for Y4 and Y5 at 6.00 p.m.
- Tues 19th March Y1 trip to Blackpool Zoo



- Wed 20th and Thurs 21st March Parents' Evenings
- Thurs 21st March Y2 to Skipton Castle
- Tues 26th March Class Photographs
- Wed 27th March

- Y4 trip to Eureka
- Fri 29th March Y5 to Sea life Centre
- Thurs 4th April KS2 Easter Disco
- Friday 5th April Break up for Easter holiday *****
- **Tues 23rd April** Return to school
- W/B 20th May Walk to School Week

Menu for week beginning Monday 4th February 2019

Monday: - Tuna Pasta, Mac n cheese, carrots. Iced Sponge.

Tuesday: - Chicken / Quorn Fillet, mash, roast potatoes, broccoli, gravy. Yoghurt / Fruit.



Wednesday: - Shepherd's pie/ Quorn mince with mix veg. Jelly & Fruit.

Thursday: -Chicken Pie, new potatoes, peas and sweetcorn. Yoghurt & Fruit.

Friday: - Fun Food Friday.

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

Thank you for your continued support.

A stylized, handwritten signature in black ink.

Mr T Barnes (Headteacher)