



SCHOOL YEAR 2017/2018 - NEWSLETTER NO 9

Snow days, Spring sunshine

Thank you so much for your support regarding last week's Snow Days. We really do appreciate this. The decision to close the school for 3 days was definitely not taken lightly, however the safety of the children and adults had to come first. During this time it did come to our attention that Alby Hill is not a priority road for gritting, but rest assured this is being followed up with the parish council.

On a different note, it was fabulous that so many families took advantage of the snow and had such a great time building snowmen, sledging, snowboarding, having snow ball fights, etc... The photographs shared on the Aldborough Primary Facebook page were brilliant. A selection of these were shared with the children in Monday's assembly (focused on making the most of opportunities) with the winning photos being announced and prizes shared. Aldborough's appearance on the ITV news was another added surprise. It's worth watching if you missed it.

<http://www.itv.com/news/anglia/update/2018-03-01/the-village-where-they-are-used-to-being-snowed-in/>

Finally, this week we welcomed a visit from Ann Keen, from VNET (Viscount Nelson Education Trust). During her short visit she was overwhelmed with the school's welcoming community, from a wealth of parents wishing her "Good morning", the large number of volunteer readers and our children's happy conversations about books. We are very lucky to have such a supportive community who help us to provide the high quality, creative learning that our children deserve. Thank you.

Very best wishes, Mrs Read



Aldborough Polite Requests



TOYS – Unfortunately an increasing number of children are bringing toys into school, leading to some arguments during playtimes and distraction during their learning. For this reason, we would be grateful if children did not bring toys to school. From the Summer Term any toys being brought to school will be returned to children's bag/kept by the teaching staff and returned at the end of the school day.

OLD TELEPHONES/MOBILES – If you have any old phones that could be used for role play purposes, then we would be very grateful to receive them. (Sim cards and batteries would need to be removed.) We are also planning on providing our younger children with a mud kitchen, so look out for any old pots and pans and kitchen utensils that children could use for outside play. Thank you.

WORLD BOOK DAY/ BOOK AMNESTY – Our rescheduled World Book Day celebrations is due to take place on Monday 26th March. Children are welcome to come into school dressed as their favourite book character. Norfolk Children's Book Centre will be joining us for the day, selling books and leading story time sessions. On this day we would be grateful if you could return any school books that may be hiding under beds, in the bottom of bags, etc... As you imagine, maintaining a healthy stock of inviting books is important for our children's reading opportunities and group sets can be expensive to replace.



Aldborough Working Together



COUNTY CROSS COUNTRY FINALS – Congratulations to Spike, Archie and Tommy who all ran brilliantly in Wednesday’s finals at Holkham Hall. We’re very proud of their individual performances, as well as how they supported each other. Thank you to Mrs Meyrick and the children’s parents for providing transport, much needed refreshments and lots of moral support.



AHS Y6 DODGEBALL - Well done to our team of 10 Y6 children who won themselves a silver medal at the Dodgeball competition at Aylsham High School on Wednesday. Their team work was a real credit to the school. Thank you to Mr Barnard for leading this transition event. Due to the popularity of this game, we will be providing a Free KS2 Dodgeball After School Club on Tuesdays throughout the Summer Term. Look out for the Clubs letter before the end of term.



GoGo HARES 2018 – Thank you to the GoGo Hare Team who’ve being in school supporting the children contributing towards Aldborough’s creation. The grass on the base will be the children’s faces and names, with finger painting being used for the hare’s fur. The paint’s been opened so watch this space.

KEY DATES

MARCH	
Saturday 10 th	Family Learning London Day Trip – Science Museum/Natural History Museum
Monday 12 th	Science day: practical investigations Help Our Hedgehogs assembly Donations of tins of cat/dog food would be much appreciated (Hedgehog items for sale - £1 and under)
Tuesday 13 th	Year 5 Science & Farming Trip to Royal Norfolk Showground
Wednesday 14 th	Class 4/choir singing at Norwich Cathedral – 5pm performance
Thursday 15 th	Parents’ Evening 3:30 – 8/8:30
Friday 16 th	Happy Puzzle Company workshops – based on the locked room concept
Tuesday 20 th	Paston600 Living History Reenactment with Class 3
Thursday 22 nd	Class 4 trip to Sheringham Park
Friday 23 rd	9:15 Class 5 assembly
Monday 26 th	After school Easter Jamboree - Raffle with amazing prizes - Easter hat competition

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Easter baking competition - Egg Art – create art work/models which include an egg Look out for the flyer!
Wednesday 28 th	End of Spring Term 9:15 Class 3 assembly Easter Egg Hunt
APRIL	
Monday 16 th	Start of Summer Term
Friday 20 th	9:15 Class 2 assembly
Saturday 21 st	Family Learning Day@Woodgate Nursery

Stepping Stones After School Club

Available Monday to Friday, 3.15pm - 5.30pm.
Come and join in the fun – loads of activities – snacks and drinks provided. Call 01263 768766 or email:

steppingstonesafterschoolclub@btconnect.com