



# SCHOOL YEAR 2020/21- NEWSLETTER NO 11

Dear Parents/Carers,

Three weeks into the spring term and we could not be prouder of our school community, be it those in school or those learning at home. The start of term was definitely not an easy one, with a huge amount of organisation and new learning for us all to get our heads around. A massive pat on the back to you all. Life is certainly not easy at present; we all need to remember to be kind to ourselves, giving ourselves time to breathe and celebrate what we have achieved. If every child achieves a little learning each day then all is good. Let's just hope that we are all back together soon. Take good care of yourselves.

Very best wishes, Mrs Alison Read

Please go to: [www.aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk](http://www.aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk)

## Aldborough Working Together

**OUTDOOR SHELTER** – We were incredibly fortunate that Premier Play Solutions were still able to erect the outdoor shelter on our field at the start of this half term. It's a great addition to our outdoor facilities offering some protection from the rain as well as a place to sit at break times. We cannot thank The Friends and our generous benefactors enough for this great new building next to the school garden.

**ZOOM OPPORTUNITIES** – Well done to Mrs Cuthill who organised a very successful zoom session with Class 5 children, providing valuable demonstrations on how to use different features on Purple Mash. Over the coming weeks we will be providing more opportunities for the children to connect remotely through shared story times, assemblies and class meetings. It really does make such a difference to talk to each other even if it isn't in person.

**FACEBOOK** – Once again many online educational resources are becoming free to use at home during this period of lockdown. Please look out for links being shared on the school's Facebook page – new opportunities and ideas pop up every day so we will endeavour to keep you all informed.

**POPPY APPEAL** – Our amazing school community raised a whopping total of £246 for the Poppy Appeal this year, topping all other schools in the area. Thank you so much for donating generously to this worthy cause. A special thank you to Mrs Colebrooke who took the lead with organising the fundraising in school – not an easy job especially adhering to Covid 19 H&S guidelines! Her efforts were well worth it though and we couldn't be more proud.



## Aldborough Information



**ALDBOROUGH AFTER SCHOOL CLUB** – Currently available after school on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday for the children of critical workers in the KS1 bubble (Class 1 & Class 2); please email enquiries/bookings to [afterschoolclub@aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:afterschoolclub@aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk)

**ONLINE PAYMENTS** – Thank you to everyone that has kept up to date with Pupil Asset payments. May we kindly remind those that still have outstanding payments to settle these. If you have any problems paying online, card payments can be made on Wednesday afternoon, all day Thursday and Friday morning. Please email or speak to Mrs Knight if you have any queries or issues.



**FREE SCHOOL MEALS (FSM)** – Edenred E-Vouchers have been issued for February Half Term. These have been provided via NCC and can be spent in a supermarket of your choice. (£15 per child)

**FSM APPLICATIONS** – Have your family circumstances changed? If so your child/children may be eligible for Free School Meals. Money provided to the school can also be used to provide additional support for a child’s learning or financial help with learning opportunities/resources. It is always worth making an application. Please go to: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools/school-meals-and-milk> If you need help or have any queries, please contact Mrs Hall in the office who will be very happy to help you. All information will be treated confidentially.

**LATERAL FLOW DEVICE TESTING (LFD)** - Starting this week, all staff at APS are able to opt in to twice-weekly LFD tests in order to try and manage the COVID-19 infection rates in the area. It is believed that the use of regular LFD tests amongst staff will help to identify those who may be positive for COVID-19 and are still infectious yet are asymptomatic. Should a staff member receive a positive LFD result they will be required to take a PCR test, isolating until their result is received.

**It takes a Whole Community to Educate a Child**

*Coping strategies for those challenging moments of day-to-day life as a parent.*

**Tuesday 2nd February**  
**10am - 11am**

**Free online session delivered via Zoom.**

*Zoom can be accessed on a computer, smart phone or tablet.*

Being a parent is a wonderful experience however, it is not always easy. Charlotte Collison from our family learning team will share ideas and strategies to offer support for those challenging moments of the day-to-day behaviour of your child.

Please book your place by contacting Monica Harding our Family Learning Co-ordinator: [mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk) or telephone/text 07780 887348.

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*Are you feeling fed up, bored, overwhelmed or lonely?  
 Why not take a break? Make a coffee and join Monica and Eleanor and a small group of parents/carers for a coffee and chat via Zoom?*

**Take a Break**  
**Coffee Morning via Zoom**  
**Every Wednesday at 10am from**  
**13th January until February half term.**

*We are looking forward to seeing you!*

To book a place contact Monica Harding our Family Learning Co-ordinator: [mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:mharding@aylshamhigh.norfolk.sch.uk) or telephone/text 07780 887348.

When you sign up you will receive all the information you need to join via Zoom.

**DATES LIST 2020/21**

<b>Holiday 21<sup>st</sup> December - 1<sup>st</sup> January</b>	
<b>FEB</b>	
<b>w/c 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Half Term week

