



SCHOOL YEAR 2019/20 - NEWSLETTER NO 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's hard to believe that December is just around the corner already. Our Christmas tree arrives on Friday which is always such a special time, signifying the start of school festive activities. We really hope you will be able to join us at next week's Christmas fair – the raffle prizes are superb so thank you to everyone that has contributed. Look out for the festive themed displays around school next week, from The Jolly Christmas Postman to The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

Best wishes, Mrs Read



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ROYAL ALBERT HALL – Words cannot describe how amazing the day at the Royal Albert Hall was for Y4/5 children and adults alike. Thank you to Norfolk Music Hub who brought so many Norfolk schools together to create a brilliant rendition of 'A Kind of Magic Flute.' Everyone performed superbly, whilst being treated to a real extravaganza of young musical talent from across the UK. Thank you to everyone who made this day possible, especially the many family members who joined us on the long but very worthwhile day. Special thank you to Mrs Bearman, Mrs Gowers and Mrs Cuthill who taught the children the songs, as well as volunteered their time to enable this day to happen. The trip to the Natural History Museum, including our 'awe and wonder' moment under the whale in the Great Hall rounded the day off very nicely.



FOREST SCHOOL APPEAL – A special thank you to Mr Crossley who kindly volunteered his time last week to build a mud kitchen with the children during Class 4's Forest School afternoon. It looks great! We are still keen to get our hands on any old cutlery, kitchen utensils and pots and pans if you have any. Please speak to Mrs Stanbury or simply drop them off at the office. Thank you.



CLASS 5 VISIT TO CLEY – Last Friday (22nd) Class 5 were kindly invited by Norfolk Wildlife Centre to visit Cley to explore its wildlife and have a go at birdwatching. During the day children were encouraged to look at the world from a bird's perspective, trying their hand at sketching and music making.



CHILDREN IN NEED – Thank you to those who contributed towards raising £45 for this great charity. The children loved going all spotty for the day!



FRIENDS of ALDBOROUGH PRIMARY – Many thanks to Justin, Aldborough's very own Quizmaster, who provided a really enjoyable fundraising family quiz night for everyone on Friday 15th November. The very next day more of our enthusiastic volunteers were at work again, this time busy at Tesco's, Aylsham, packing bags and being all round superstars raising more funds for Aldborough Primary School. Thank you.

In school parents and children have been busy being all creative making beautiful decorations to sell at the forthcoming FRIENDS CHRISTMAS FAIR – they look gorgeous! If you have some time to spare, the Friends are appealing for more volunteers to help set up or help at the fair after school on **Thursday 5th December**. You can sign up on the sheet in the Parent Waiting Area or maybe contact the office who can pass on your details. The Friends have their own Facebook page too which is great for up to date information.

Look out for the new lights in the hall during the KS1 Nativity and KS2 Pantomime – they were funded by money raised by Friends of Aldborough Primary. Thank you for your valuable support.

ALDBOROUGH PLAYERS – Thank you to the very lovely Aldborough Players who have kindly donated £500 towards our participation in Shakespeare in Schools next autumn. Here at Aldborough we value children's drama opportunities and this donation will go a long way to continuing a tradition at the school.

NORFOLK CHILDREN'S BOOK CENTRE – Classes were treated to story time sessions when the NCBC visited the school on Monday 11th November. If you didn't manage to pop in to look through the wide range of new books, then why not pop into their shop for a browse and a cup of tea? It is a great place to visit for some great Christmas reading.



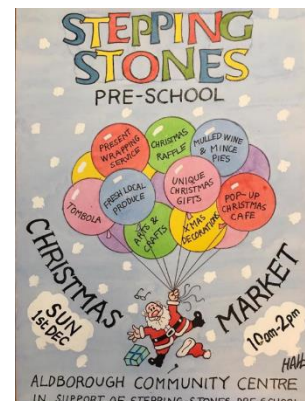
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ALDBOROUGH 'ANGELS' – Decorated angels should be returned to school by **Friday 29th November**. Well done to those who have already returned their angels – they look superb! Everybody is warmly invited to visit the angels on display at Aldborough Community Centre at the Christmas Carol Service on Sunday 15th December, 11 – 11:45am.

KS2 PANTO – We are all very much looking forward to this year's pantomime, The Wizard of Oz, on Wednesday 11th December 2pm, then Thursday 12th & Friday 13th December 7pm. Tickets requests, along with payment, should be made by Monday 2nd December. Tickets will be sent home on Thursday. Children require the following items in readiness for the dress rehearsal on Friday 6th December:

- Year 3: brightly coloured leggings;
- Year 4: yellow or black leggings;
- Year 5: black witch's hat, black cloak & black leggings, thank you.



SCHOOL KITCHEN – I am delighted to report that Tracy will be returning to school this week, on Thursday 28th November, following her operation and recuperation. A very special thank you to the wonderful team who have worked tirelessly over the last 8 weeks to keep the 'catering ship' afloat. Kate, Jo and Eve have done a super job of supporting Kerry, who has been an absolute superstar.

SWIMMING CLASS 5 YEAR 5 – **On Monday 2nd December**, for work on personal survival skills in the water, children will need to bring clothes to wear in the pool: PJs or tracksuit bottoms & t-shirt/jumper.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – Unfortunately Stepping Stones After School Club will NOT be available after school on the last day of term, Wednesday 18th December. Please email or speak to the office if this presents a problem for you.

TERM DATES LIST 2019/20

NOV	
DEC	
Mon 2nd	Class 5 Year 5 swimming – survival clothing needed (see above)
Wed 4th	Class 3 Ukulele performance to the school
Thur 5th	Last lunchtime football club for the term; 3:15 Christmas Fayre & Raffle – Helpers needed please
Fri 6th	Class 1 Stay & Play; Stop & Chat; KS2 Panto dress rehearsal
Mon 9th	Last swimming session for C5 Y5
Wed 11th	2pm Panto – refreshments
Thu 12th	9:30 KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal; Christmas dinner; 7pm Panto
Fri 13th	9:30 KS1 Nativity; 1:30 p.m Y2 'live' nativity@ Redwings; 7pm Panto
Mon 16th	Christmas parties (all classes); Carol singing@Tesco's, Aylsham
Tues 17th	Aldborough Has Talent Show 11a.m
Wed 18th	p.m Aldborough Christmas Carols Celebration Assembly (parents invited)/ End of Term
JAN	
Mon 6th	Spring Term Begins; swimming starts for Class 4 Year 5
Thur 9th	Y6 dodgeball p.m with AHS students
Fri 10th	9:15 – 10:15 Stay & Play; Stop & Chat
w/c 13th & 20th Jan	Loan of VR headsets from Norfolk IT

Tues 14th	Dodgeball Club starts (10 weeks)
Thur 16th	Musical Theatre Club starts (10 weeks)
Thur 23rd	Whole school mosaic making workshop; Friends Bingo & Chips
FEB	h/term 17 th – 21 st
MARCH	
Wed 4th	County Cross Country Final@Holkham Hall
Thur 5th	World Book Day; 8:30 Friends Bacon butties and secondhand book sale; a.m Y6 Dodgeball Tournament@AHS
Fri 6th	9:15 Stay & Play; 9-9:30 Stop & Chat
Fri 20th	Mother's Day Shop & Afternoon Tea
Tues 31st	Family Learning Day p.m – Easter Bake Off
APRIL	
Wed 1st	End of Spring Term
Thur 2nd & Fri 3rd	INSET
Mon 20th	Summer Term begins; Bags2School
Sat 25th	Aylsham Trust Family Learning@Woodgate Nursery 2-4pm
MAY	Year 2 KS1 SATs month; w/c 11 th KS2 SATs week

2019/20 TERM DATES (please see website)

Autumn Term: 4.9.19 – 18.12.19

(Half term 21st – 25th October)

Spring Term: 6.1.20 – 1.4.20

(Half Term 17-21st February)

Summer Term: 20.4.20 – 21.7.20

(Half Term: 25th – 29th May)

INSET DAYS: 2.9.19, 3.9.19, 2.4.20, 3.4.20