

SCHOOL YEAR 2019/20 - NEWSLETTER NO 6

Dear Parents/Carers.

We wish all of our pupils and their families a very Happy Christmas from all of us at Aldborough Primary School.

It has been a fun-filled December full of a wide range of festive activities; we all really appreciated the opportunity to share the brilliant pantomime and nativity performances with you all. The children and staff have definitely excelled themselves once again and now very much deserve a lovely Christmas break. Thank you to everyone who has kindly sent in gifts for us all to share – the many biscuits and chocolates have really helped to keep our energy levels up! See you all in 2020 for a very Happy New Year.



Very best festive wishes, Mrs Read



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Aldborough Working Together



CLASS 3 UKULELE PERFORMANCE – On Wednesday 4th December Class 3 wowed us all with their Ukulele playing, performing a number of pieces brilliantly to the school. Thank you to Norfolk Music Hub who provided specialist music teaching for 10 weeks and well done to the children.

KS1 NATIVITY – What a super happy, super smiley nativity KS1 performed to everyone this year! We all loved it and were so impressed with the children's singing, as well as the confident, clear delivery of lines. Well done everybody – it was great! Special thank you to Mr Caston who led the KS1 team.

KS2 PANTOMIME – Wow, wow, wow!!! 'The Wizard of Ozborough' was yet another amazing Aldborough pantomime, expertly performed by all of the children in Classes 3, 4 and 5, with Y6s taking on the lead roles. Thank you to everyone involved, from set designers to face painters, to costume creators to script writer (Mrs Morgan), from dancers to actors, but a very special thank you to those who were involved and supported the many evening rehearsals after school during the winter nights. Your hard work was definitely worth it. Congratulations to Year 6 – it was a treat to see your obvious enjoyment and confidence in performing on stage grow and grow each night. Special thank you to Mrs Morgan and Mrs Taylor for your hard work and dedication.

YEAR 2 VISIT TO REDWINGS – Following their fabulous KS1 'Prickly Hay' nativity on Friday 13th December, Year 2 were whisked off to Redwings Horse Sanctuary, Aylsham in the afternoon to re-enact the nativity again... but this time in a field with real animals!!! Thank you so much to Revd Jack Branford for extending the invitation to Year 2s at Aldborough. Despite being a bit chilly, the children returned to school enthused by the experience and Mrs Colebrook fell in love with a rather tall horse called Bob.



HALLSWOOD ANIMAL SANCTUARY – We are currently collecting stamps and foreign coins, plus making a donation from pantomime tickets sales, towards this worthwhile, local charity. Please send contributions into the school office. Many thanks for your support.

ROYAL ALBERT HALL – The school has ordered a DVD of the performance of 'A Kind of Magic Flute' which will be shared with the staff and children as soon as it arrives. After this we are more than happy for parents/carers to borrow the DVD so that as many people as possible can enjoy the concert.

ALDBOROUGH 'ANGELS' – Well done and thank you to everyone who decorated an angel for Aldborough Community Centre's Christmas celebration event on Sunday. They looked super, each one creatively designed and made.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Christmas Fayre on Thursday 5th December. The children's Christmas crafts on sale were beautiful and are hopefully adorning your trees at home. It was particularly good to see so many stalls organised and run by children, demonstrating real entrepreneurial skills. One clever, reflective child even told me the next day that people were more likely to buy items in 3s rather than 6s. The look of pride in their money making skills was great to witness – keep it up!

CHRISTMAS CAROLS SINGALONG – A festive end to the term is planned on Wednesday afternoon at 2pm with the school enjoying singing Christmas songs together – we even have our very own percussion band! Volunteers who have generously volunteered their time and support during the year are invited to join us for this event so long as they promise to join in.

ALDBOROUGH HAS TALENT 2019 ... and it most certainly does! Following school tradition we were treated to a showcase of talent on Tuesday morning, highly entertained and impressed by gymnasts, singers, dancers, musicians and even magicians. A group of Y6 were the obvious winners with their own rather funny version of the 12 days of Christmas which included 9 toilet rolls and Mrs Morgan on a Christmas Tree!





Aldborough Information



FREE CHRISTMAS TREE AVAILABLE – Please speak to the office if you can put the tree to good use. It would be such a shame if it was wasted once the school term ends.

KS2 SCHOOL DINNERS – School dinners are made on site at Aldborough Primary using fresh, locally sourced produce where possible. A school lunch costs £2.30 each, £11.50 a week. If you wish to pay for school lunches next half term it will cost £69 for 6 weeks.

SCHOOL SNACKS – A break time snack and drink costs 50p a day for <u>all</u> children, £2.50 a week, £15.00 for next half term. It has been noted that a number of children are taking snacks when they haven't been paid for so please speak to your child if you do not wish them to take one.

LATENESS / LOCKING GATES – Please be advised that school gates will be locked promptly at 9:05/9:10. We currently have a young pupil who is at risk of leaving the site unsupervised at the start of the school day, therefore for safeguarding reasons both gates will be locked promptly. If your child is late to school they should enter via the school Reception where they will be recorded as late in the register. Should you wish to speak to a teacher then please make an appointment after school or leave a message with Mrs Hall. Thank you for your support helping us to keep children safe.

MUMPS – Please be aware that we have had a confirmed case of a pupil in the school having Mumps. Should your child experience symptoms of Mumps, please do not hesitate to seek medical advice.

SWIMMING CLASS 4 YEAR 5 – Swimming starts on Monday 6th January, our first day back at school.

FOODBANK – Please be advised that the school is now registered with Foodbank and is able to provide a Foodbank voucher for those in need. Please speak to the office or Mrs Read. Cromer Distribution is open 1.30 - 3.00pm at the Methodist Church Hall NR27 9DT. Other distribution centres close by are in Aylsham, St Michaels and All Angels Church NR11 6EH, open on a Monday morning 9.30 - 1.00am, and the Pavilion at the Rec in Sir Williams Lane NR11 6AW open on a Tuesday 1.30 - 3.00pm. This worthwhile charity is also able to help families who are having problems paying fuel bills. info@cromerdistrict.foodbank.org.uk

TERM DATES LIST 2019/20

JAN	
Mon 6th	Spring Term Begins; swimming starts for Class 4 Year 5; Class 1 Forest School continues
Wed 8th	Class 5 Forest School begins
Thur 9 th	Y6 dodgeball p.m with AHS students
Fri 10 th	9:15 – 10:15 Stay & Play; Stop & Chat; Class 2 Forest School
w/c 13 th & 20 th Jan	Loan of VR headsets from Norfolk IT
Tues 14 th	Dodgeball Club starts (10 weeks)
Thur 16 th	Musical Theatre Club starts (10 weeks)
Thur 23 rd	Friends Bingo & Chips
Fri 31 st	Class 3 Assembly to parents
FEB	
Fri 7 th	9:10 C1 Stay & Play; 9-9:30 Stop & Chat
Fri 14 th	Class 1 Assembly to parents
Sun 16 th	FRIENDS BIG BREAKFAST (Community Centre)
17 th - 21 st	Half Term Break
Wed 26 th	NO GROUP READING
Fri 28 th	Class 5 pm @ Auden Theatre, Holt – Open Rehearsal for London Motzart Players
MARCH	
Wed 4 th	County Cross Country Final@Holkham Hall

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Thur 5 th	World Book Day; 8:30 Friends Bacon butties and secondhand book sale; a.m Y6 Dodgeball Tournament@AHS
Fri 6 th	9:10 Stay & Play; 9-9:30 Stop & Chat
Fri 13 th	Class 4 Assembly to parents
Wed 18 th	Parents' Evening
Thur 19 th	Parents' Evening
Fri 20 th	Class 5 Assembly to parents; Mother's Day Shop & Afternoon Tea
Fri 27 th	Class 2 Assembly to parents
Tues 31st	Family Learning Day p.m – Easter Bake Off
APRIL	
Wed 1 st	End of Spring Term
Thur 2 nd & Fri 3 rd	INSET
Mon 20 th	Summer Term begins; Bags2School
Sat 25 th	Aylsham Trust Family Learning@Woodgate Nursery 2-4pm
MAY	Year 2 KS1 SATs month; w/c 11 th KS2 SATs week
2019/20 T	ERM DATES (please see website)

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