



SCHOOL YEAR 2020/21- NEWSLETTER NO 12

Dear Parents/Carers, What an emotional week it has been for us all, quite timely with it being Children's Mental Health week. The value of breaking from routines, a walk outdoors, a conversation with a friend or simply listening to music cannot be underestimated. We all need to be kind to ourselves and others. The sad loss of Sir Captain Tom Moore was felt throughout the country this week, a man who embodied positive thinking and the resounding belief that brighter days are around the corner. If we can help in any way, please pick up the phone or email – Together we are stronger and happier. Stay safe, stay well and stay in touch.
Very best wishes, Mrs Alison Read



Please go to: www.aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk

Aldborough Working Together

BIG BIRD WATCH 2021 – Congratulations to Mrs Stanbury and all the children who completed the Big Schools' Birdwatch 2021. We are so lucky to have a wealth of wildlife on our doorstep and in the local area. Outdoor learning opportunities have been fully utilised to spot and identify a wide range of birds, supporting our mental well being too.



ZOOM OPPORTUNITIES – Thank you to everyone who has participated in the increasing number of class zoom sessions in recent weeks from science lessons and catch up meetings to story time sessions and Show & Tell. It has really lifted everyone's spirits to see each other even if it has only been on a screen. For safeguarding reasons please do ensure that you log on in plenty of time for the zoom as it would be sad for children to miss out while stuck in the 'waiting room' if they arrive late. We will of course endeavour to make sure that this doesn't happen, however zoom can be quite a juggle for teachers as well as rather tiring.



From next half term each bubble will have a zoom assembly slot. This could be interesting...No singing will be involved! Look out for the invitation email from the office next week with the codes required.

Proposed timings (tbc): 9:30 Class 1 & Class 2 bubble assembly; 10:30 Class 3 & Class 4 bubble assembly; 13:30 Class 5 bubble assembly

FOODBANK DONATIONS – Back in October we didn't have a Harvest collection for the Foodbank as we were informed that their shelves were well stocked. Since then, Mr Bearman, who volunteers at Cromer Foodbank, has informed the school that donations of Easter eggs would be very well received by this amazing charity. With that in mind, next half term, do you think that together we could collect 100 Easter eggs?!!! Maybe on your next shopping trip you could pop one into your trolley and send it into school when we return. Just like at Christmas, we will designate our very own quarantine area before Mr Bearman delivers them to Foodbank. Maybe we could even build a giant wall of Easter eggs – that would be amazing!



REMOTE LEARNING – It has been brilliant to watch classroom display boards jam packed full with work created by children working at home and in school. Thank you so much for sending work in – it means the world to the teachers and the children in school to stay connected and sharing learning in whatever form it takes.



We've had children devising exercise videos at home for children to complete in school – How good is that?!



Aldborough Information



STAFF NEWS – Please see below a message from Mr Care who will sadly not be returning to Aldborough Primary School following a period of extended absence. As a school we all wish him good luck and thank him for his hard work and dedication to the children of the school. He will certainly be missed by us all.

To the parents of Aldborough Primary, Thank you for your presents, messages and kind wishes. I'm feeling much better now, and my family are all happy and healthy. I have, however, decided to step away from teaching. It was a difficult decision, but I've been offered a job that will allow me to work from home and spend more time with my children—I feel this is the right thing to do for my family. I would like to give special thanks to those of you who volunteered in class; It has been a real pleasure to teach at Aldborough Primary School and to be a part of the Aldborough community. Lastly, thank you so much for trusting me with the education of your children. They were a joy to be with, and I will miss them.

Best wishes, Mr Care ☺

ABSENCE/LATENESS REMINDER – If your child is unwell please call the school before 9:00am leaving a message to explain the reason for the absence. Details are required by the office so please avoid saying 'unwell.' Also, if you are running late please call the office to let them know. In the event of an emergency, as stated in the Keeping Children Safe in Schools Policy, the school must have two up to date contact numbers. If your details have changed please ensure that the office is informed as a priority. Thank you.

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

BREAKFAST CLUB – Currently only available upon request by critical workers.

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.



It takes a Whole Community to Educate a Child

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@ayshamhigh.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**Holiday 21st December - 1st January**

FEB	
w/c 15th	Half Term week
W'c 22nd	Term starts
MARCH	
8th	Proposed government 'reopening' of schools for all pupils TBC
29th	Easter Holidays begin
APRIL	
Mon 12th	Summer Term 1 begins
May	
Thur 27th	Tempest Photography in school
w/c 31st	Half Term
JUNE	
Mon 7th	Summer Term 2 begins
JULY	
Wed 21st	End of Term/End of school year

