



SCHOOL YEAR 2020/21- NEWSLETTER NO 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a week we have had! Not the week that any of us had anticipated..... Who would have thought that we would still be enjoying glorious sunshine at this stage in September!

It has given the children the opportunity to enjoy our lovely environment and for the older children to get to know the younger children now that they do not have to be in their bubbles outside. The forest has been buzzing with activity, the Library has reclaimed excited readers and the classrooms are places of positivity, productivity and purposeful learning.

The week has not been without its challenges of course. We would like to thank all of the parents and carers for their messages of support and their understanding, also for the fabulous Friday treat from some parents which arrived this morning. You all mean so much to us.

Thank you to The Friends for the Friday treat this afternoon for all the children, how kind and thoughtful you are! Someone told me this week that when we educate children we should aim for them to be 'Acceptable on the dance floor and vital in a shipwreck.' We are looking forward to the term ahead being filled with far more dancing than swimming for our lives!

With that in mind, Harvest is on the way, Christmas is already planned and in the true Aldborough way, it is full steam ahead.

Wishing you a dance-filled weekend,

With Best Wishes,

Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team

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



Aldborough Working Together



SWIMMING – Swimming will continue for the children in C5 this week and for the next few weeks. Please ensure that the children who are swimming have their kit with them.

HARVEST CELEBRATION – On Friday 15th October we will be holding our Harvest Celebration at 9.10 a.m. in the school hall. We would love parents to join us – yes you did read that correctly! This year we will be collecting for the North Norfolk Foodbank to help people in crisis in our local area. Please see the flyer attached for the list of items that are needed the most. Any long date food items will be very welcome, but please do not send in any fresh produce. Please send your donations to school in the week beginning Monday 11th October.

PARENT'S EVENING – We are very happy to be offering Parent's Evening this half term. We look forward to discussing your children with you on Wednesday October 20th and Thursday October 21st. Please keep an eye on your emails for the booking forms from the office.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – Please could all parents who need to book places in After School Club, use the After School Club email address rather than the office email address. Most days we have over 100 emails arrive in the Office in-box and we would hate to miss a booking. **Please collect children from ASC as close as possible to the hour or half hour i.e. (4.00, 4.30, 5.00. 5.30) Charges are made for a full hour (i.e. if you collect at 4.45 you will be charged the full hour up to 5.30). Many thanks for your continued support.**

SINGING TO DIPPY – The children in Year 4 and Year 5 have been invited to sing to Dippy the Dinosaur at Norwich Cathedral on Wednesday 14th October. This is a lovely opportunity to not only see Dippy, but to take part in a live streamed singing session with the Cathedral choir and other local schools. Thank you to the Norfolk Music Hub and to Mrs Cuthill for teaching the children the songs in their music lessons. Please check book bags for a letter and consent form for the trip.

LONG HAIR – A huge thank you to all the parents and carers of children with long hair who send their children to school with their hair tied back. It makes a big difference to the children's level of concentration if they are not stopping to move their hair out of their eyes. It is such a small thing, but it makes a huge difference to the children's learning.

KS2 PE - It is essential that all children have their hair tied back for PE lessons and that they are able to remove their own ear-rings, or tape them up themselves. Please could you ensure that children are in appropriate clothing for PE on their PE days.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB JOB OPPORTUNITY – We will have several job opportunities in our After School Club starting after the October half term. The rate of pay is approximately £9.00 an hour and contracts run for 38 weeks of the year (term time only). If you are interested in becoming part of the staff team please contact the Office for further details. This opportunity will be subject to the necessary background checks.

FLU IMMUNISATION FORMS – Please return any outstanding Flu immunisation forms to the Office as soon as possible. Flu immunisations will be on Friday October 8th.

CURRICULUM INFORMATION – Please look at the school website under the 'Learning' section for information from the Class Teachers about the elements of the curriculum being covered this half term.

ACCOUNTS – Please keep your eye on your child's school account and settle outstanding amounts regularly. If your child has school snacks, they need to be paid for termly or half-termly using the School shop option within Pupil Asset account.

MORNING PLAYGROUND – Please ensure that your children continue to stand with you on the playground before school rather than running around. We narrowly escaped a nasty fall earlier this week of a pre-school child who was running the length of the playground.



Aldborough Information



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT – Aldborough Primary has ‘Mental Health First Responders’ on site to help members of our community should they have a need. We recognise that it is not always easy to be a parent/carer, especially with the added pressures of the COVID pandemic and this is a way for the school to support parents and carers who may be struggling. Maybe you just need to offload to someone who will listen in a non-judgmental way, or maybe you just don’t know where to turn and need someone who can help guide you to services and other agencies who can help. If you think we can help you in anyway please do not hesitate to contact either via email: office@aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk or phone 01263 761264. Confidentiality is guaranteed.

ALDBOROUGH AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – Please email enquiries/bookings to afterschoolclub@aldborough.norfolk.sch.uk Further information and booking forms are available on the school website. There will be plenty of outdoor play and art activities available with ASC staff working hard to plan and provide activities. Tracy continues to provide tasty snacks.

BREAKFAST CLUB – Breakfast Club is available daily from 8am in the dining room. Pre-booking is advised to be guarantee a place, however children can attend on the day without the need to pre-book. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE DOORS TO BREAKFAST CLUB WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 8.00a.m

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.

FOOD BANK- If you aren’t already aware, Aldborough Primary is able to issue Foodbank vouchers to families in need; please don’t hesitate to contact us if you need some help. All support is provided confidentially.

<u>DATES LIST 2021/22</u>	
SEPTEMBER	
Mon 20th	Swimming continues for allocated children
OCTOBER	
Fri 8th	Flu immunisations
Thurs 14th	Year 4 and Year 5 to sing to Dippy in Norwich Cathedral (Streamed live to parents)

Fri 15th	Harvest Celebration 9.10 a.m. in the School Hall – Parents invited
Wed 20th + Thurs 21st	Parent's Evenings
Mon 25th – Fri 29th	HALF TERM
November	
Thurs 4th	Family Learning Afternoon – Parents invited
December	
Tues 7th	Nativity Performance to Parents 9.30am (C1 and C2 Parents only)
Thurs 9th	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
Tues 14th Wed 15th	Christmas Pantomime Performances 7.00pm (KS2 parents invited)
Fri 17th	Carols around the tree in the School Hall – Parents invited (time tbc)

DURING SEPTEMBER THE FOLLOWING WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED:



LONG LIFE MILK
- FULL FAT OR SEMI-SKIMMED -



TINNED VEGETABLES
TOMATOES
FISH AND MEAT



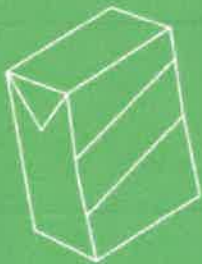
SQUASH/FRUIT JUICE



JAM

BISCUITS

MALE AND FEMALE DEODORANTS



WASHING UP LIQUID



LAUNDRY LIQUID/POWDER

SHAMPOO AND CONDITIONER

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS

- SPRAYS, CLOTHS, BLEACH -

