



SCHOOL YEAR 2021/22- NEWSLETTER NO 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

Do you get the feeling that the year is flying by! The children are enjoying the signs that Spring is turning to Summer and we are taking the opportunity to strengthen our community through different ways of learning. The dens in the forest area are getting more elaborate, the tennis nets are being used daily on the tennis courts, we are battling the moles building their fortresses across the school field and there has even been a whisper of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' from Class 5. We are making the most of the fine weather by moving some of our learning outside and taking part in local community projects whenever we can i.e the local river project and Bikeability. We also have some exciting family learning opportunities ahead this half term where we hope that you will join us to share the children's learning in different ways.

We are so proud of our Aldborough community for so many reasons, not least, the welcome that you give to new families – what a lot we have all learnt about resilience, perseverance and friendship already this half term.

Welcome = Welkəm

Our final word is a special message to Year 6 as they prepare for the week ahead; 'Sleep, Rest, Believe and Sparkle – You are all amazing',

Wishing you all a restful weekend,

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With Best Wishes,

Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team

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



Aldborough Working Together



ROAD SAFETY – We are so grateful that we have the ongoing advice and support from PC Mezetti. We hope that you all saw the separate email that he sent last week regarding parking outside school and on the pavements. He also gave us a timely reminder for the children who

cycle to school which reinforced the advice given at Bikeability last week. All children who cycle to school must do so on the road and not the pavement or paths (including the path into school) and they must have their hands on the handlebars at all times. If we all work together we can keep our children as safe as possible as they come and go from school.

COVID – It is lovely to be getting back to normal, however we still do have cases of Covid on a regular basis. The latest guidance says that children should have 3 days off school if they have symptoms of Covid or if they test positive for Covid. If children are then well enough they can return to school after the 3 days of absence without the need to test negative. Many thanks for your support.

INTERNET SAFETY -We have been informed about a game that a few children have been talking about called Huggy Wuggy. There are lots of warnings about this character and the game he is in called Poppy Playtime. It is classed as a horror/puzzle game. Common sense media have recommended an age rating of 12. There are also many videos circulating involving this character on both YouTube and Tiktok. He sings about killing he would be frightening to our young children. Please read the review below for more information. We would be most grateful if you could continue to monitor the children's internet/gaming usage. <https://oursaferschools.co.uk/2021/12/03/poppy-playtime-online-safety-review/>

THE SCARROW BECK RIVER PROJECT - As you know, we are always looking for ways to support our key value of 'Community', so we were delighted to be approached to take part in the Scarrow Beck river project with the Norfolk Rivers Trust. Our Class 3 and Class 4 children have all had the opportunity to support the project which can be found behind the Doctor's Surgery in the village. We are very grateful to Ursula Juta and her team who encouraged the children in their pond dipping and ecological exploits. Who would have thought that we had such an amazing eco-system right on our doorstep!

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – At the end of April we said good bye to Kelly and Ciara from our After School Club team. We are very grateful for all the care and consideration that they have shown towards our children and we wish Kelly lots of luck in her new role. Happily, we will have Ciara (Miss Gowers to the children) with us in her student role for a few more months, but not at ASC. We are very happy to welcome Emily Harrod to our After School Club team. ASC will now run on a Monday – Thursday from 3.15-5.30.

BIKEABILITY – Congratulations to the Year 5 children who took part in Bikeability last week. We were delighted to hear not only about their cycling skills, but also about the sense of responsibility that they showed as part of the course. Our thanks also go to the Bikeability team who encouraged and supported the children through the 4 day course.

FAMILY LEARNING DAY – Our Family Learning Day will take place on Thursday May 26th with a theme of 'The Queen's Jubilee'. We hope that you can join us between 2pm and 3pm (doors open 1.45pm) to take part in various activities alongside your children.

JUBILEE STREET PARTY – On Friday 27th May the children will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with our very own street party on the playground at lunch time. We hope that the Family Learning Day the day before will provide us with some special decorations for such a special occasion. Further details will follow shortly about Tracy's special Jubilee lunch on that day.

SUNSHINE!! – As the weather gets better, the children should have sun hats in school with them for their playtimes and lunchtimes. As we move into the Summer term the children will also need sun cream on each day. Sun cream should be applied before school by parents

and then the children should be taught how to apply sun cream themselves should they need a top up during the day. Please do not send sunglasses into school with the children. We cannot guarantee their safety and this causes distress to the children when accidents happen. A sun hat with a brim should do the job of keeping the sun out of the children's eyes. Please ensure that the children have full water bottles (water only please) to keep them hydrated.

HEALTHY SNACKS AND LUNCHES – Please ensure that the snacks and packed lunches that the children bring to school are healthy. We work very hard as a school to support health and well-being and the contents of some lunch boxes make consistent messages difficult for the children to understand. Thank you for your continued support in this matter. **If your child has a school snack, please pay in the school shop in Pupil Asset.**

CAKE SALES / READATHON - Thank you to all the parents/carers and children from class 3 who provided cakes for the sale and to those who bought the cakes. There is such a lovely buzz on the playground on the afternoons of the cake sale – it is almost like old times! Another huge thank you to Leanne and her team for organising the Readathon which was also a huge success. Get baking Class 2 – you are up next! The class dates are as follows:

June 24th – Class 2

July 15th – Class 1

You will note that there is not a cake sale on May 27th as we will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on that day.

FOREST SCHOOL – Please make sure that the children have appropriate clothing for their Forest School sessions. We have had some children without coats or wellies who are then very upset before their session. The days for after half term are as follows:

C1: Wednesday

C2: Tuesday

C3: Thursday

SPORTS EQUIPMENT FOR SCHOOLS – We will be collecting the tokens printed in the local newspapers from the 9th May – 16th July 2022. The collection box will be in the Parents waiting area, please put your tokens in envelopes with amount on the front.



Aldborough Information



MORNING PLAYGROUND DROP OFF – IF YOU ARRIVE AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.50 OR BEFORE THE MEMBER OF STAFF ARRIVES, PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHILDREN UNATTENDED ON THE PLAYGROUND.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT – Aldborough Primary now has 3 'Mental Health First Responders' on site to help members of our community should they have a need. 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.

NURTURE AND WELL-BEING – Nurture at Aldborough Primary School provides a short term intervention in a safe space in which children have the opportunity to enhance their education and learn alongside their peers. Children spend time in a small group engaging in learning activities outside the classroom environment, which compliments the school curriculum. During this time the children learn academically and socially, they develop and build confidence and resilience. Their self-esteem increases, they become responsive to others, they learn self-respect and take pride in behaving well and achieving. Should you need to discuss your child’s needs in this respect, please contact the office who will be able to pass you on to our well-being champion.

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>	
	<u>MAY 2022</u>
Mon 9th – Thurs 12th	Year 6 SATS week.
Tues 10th	Dental Nurse to visit C1 + C2 (named children only)
Wed 18th	Class Photographs
Tues 24th	Class 2 Trip Bridewell Museum
Thurs 26th	CLASS 5 ASSEMBLY 9.10 – C5 PARENTS WELCOME Family Learning Day – parents/ carers invited (1.45 onwards)
Fri 27th	Queen’s Jubilee Street Party Lunch – children only

Mon 30th – Fri June 3rd	HALF TERM
	<u>JUNE 2022</u>
Sat 11th	AHS Cluster Family Learning Day
Fri 24th	Class 2 Cake Sale
	<u>July 2022</u>
Mon 11th – Fri 15th	Year 6 PGL Trip
Fri 15th	Class 1 Cake Sale

