



SCHOOL YEAR 2021/22- NEWSLETTER NO 6

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had two wonderful days celebrating the Platinum Jubilee with the children. It is not very often that we have the opportunity to acknowledge 70 years in one role – not even Mrs Morgan and Mrs Taylor can rival that! We hope that the memories created over the last two days will last a lifetime for the children – some of us still remember the Silver Jubilee celebrations in 1977!

“Each day is a new beginning, I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings...”
(Queen Elizabeth II 2020)

To celebrate the Jubilee we have planted two trees at school. The first is a blossoming cherry tree which was donated by The Friends for the occasion. The second is a young oak tree which Mrs Meyrick’s Father has grown from an acorn that he found in Kew Gardens. It seems fitting that as children and staff, young and old, come and go from Aldborough these trees will be an enduring legacy for the Queen who has been a constant presence in all of our lives. We hope that everyone in the Aldborough family can look forward with hope and look back with pride.

“I believe that, young or old, we have as much to look forward to with confidence and hope as we have to look back on with pride.” (Queen Elizabeth II 2012)

Thinking of looking forward with hope, we are delighted to announce that Miss Redford is expecting her first baby in the late Autumn. We wish her and her partner John all our best wishes as we await the new arrival.

“The birth of a baby brings great happiness – then the business of growing up begins.”
(Queen Elizabeth II 1953)

*Wishing you all a street party, bunting filled, half term break,
With Best Wishes,
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team*

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Aldborough Working Together

HOME TIME – Unfortunately we have now received several complaints from members of the public about the behaviour of Aldborough children as they walk or cycle from school up to the

village. Whilst it is a minority of children who are named in the complaints, the bad feeling these are causing in the community are tarnishing the reputation of the school and damaging the relationship that we have with our village. We have spoken to the children at length and on several occasions about their behaviour after school, however, these incidents are happening outside school hours when the children are the responsibility of their parents. It is particularly disappointing when 'Community' is a key value of our school and one that we have worked hard to promote following the pandemic. We would be most grateful if parents would speak to their children about respectful and responsible behaviour on their journey home 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.

NORFOLK OWLS – As part of our community project we were visited by Norfolk Owls last week. The children had a wonderful time learning key facts about owls before they all had the opportunity to hold and stroke the owls if they wanted to. It was a unique way for the children to be so close to such beautiful birds and gave us all a renewed sense of responsibility towards the wildlife in our environment. Thank you to Mrs Stanbury for organising the visit for us and to the Stepping Stones children who joined us on the day.

INTERVENTIONS - Interventions to support children's learning and emotional well-being happen in school on a regular basis. They are short-term sessions that focus on a variety of areas of learning to support children's progress. They might include one to one or group interventions to support reading, writing, well-being, spelling or maths (and many others). Our class teachers, TAs or our ELSA, deliver intervention sessions as part of the school day. Interventions might take place over a number of short sessions or just one session depending on the needs of the child and the observations of the class teacher. In some cases, we call on the support of outside agencies such as the Aylsham Cluster SEMH team or NCC education support services to work with individual children. In this instance, parents will always be asked for their consent before the outside agency interventions begin.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – We will not be taking any further bookings for Thursday July 21st at ASC.

MULTIPLICATION TEST – The children in Year 4 have been working hard to prepare for the national multiplication test which will take place in June. Knowledge of times tables and the related division facts are essential for success in the Year 5 curriculum and we hope that parents will continue to support their children in practising their times tables through the half term holiday.....and beyond!

SWIMMING – Year 5 will be swimming at AHS for the first three weeks of the Summer Term. Please make sure that the children have their full kit with them, including a swimming hat, every Monday.

FOOTBALL CLUB – Mr Hall Galley will be starting lunchtime Football club once again after half term: Monday - Years 1 & 2, Wednesday - Girls only, Friday - Years 3 – 6. The children will need to wear PE kit, hair tied back and their water bottle.

SUNSHINE AND SANDALS!! – 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. **If children wear open-toed sandals for school please ensure that they are also wearing socks to protect their toes during playtimes. Children are not allowed to wear flip flops to school.**

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 provided snack, payment for the next half term is now due.**

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS – Please settle any outstanding accounts before returning in June.

THE FRIENDS - Thank you to The Friends and all the parents/carers who are involved in the many activities that have been arranged to support the children at school. The fundraising is magnificent and so is the sense of community that we are enjoying once again. We really appreciate all of your efforts and support. We have Bolwick Hall on Sunday 29th May, bacon rolls and coffee on June 10th and a gift shop with a twist towards the middle of June. The cake sales continue as planned -Get baking Class 2 – you are up next! The class dates are as follows:

June 24th – Class 2

July 15th – Class 1

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

CURRICULUM UPDATES – Curriculum updates for each class will be available on the website from the first week of next half term.



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 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. There is no After School club on a Friday.

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 Knight 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>JUNE 2022</u>
Mon 6th	Children return to school
Fri 10th	Friends bacon rolls and coffee
Sat 11th	AHS Cluster Family Learning Day at Aylsham High School
Thurs 16th	Class 5 trip to Steam afternoon at Greshams (5.00p.m return to school)
Thurs 23rd	Pentathlon, parents welcome 1.30 p m
Fri 24th	Class 2 Cake Sale
Mon 27th	Class 1 trip to West Runton
Tues 28th	Class 5 trip to Kentwell Hall 1.30pm – 3.00 p.m Reception children 2022 to visit 6.00p.m – 7.00 p.m Reception 2022 Parent’s meeting

Wed 29th – Fri 1st July	Year 6 Induction days AHS
Thurs 30th	Transition morning for all classes including new Reception children
	<u>July 2022</u>
Mon 11th – Fri 15th	Class 5 PGL Trip
Fri 15th	Class 1 Cake Sale
Mon 18th	Class 5 barbeque. Year 6 children only. 3.30-5.00 (parents to collect children at 5.00 p.m)
Tues 19th	Sports Day all parents welcome 1.30 p m
Fri 22nd	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly – Yr 6 parents welcome 2.30 p m