



## SCHOOL YEAR 2021/22- NEWSLETTER NO 8

Dear Parents/Carers,

*We made it!! Another year under our belts at Aldborough with so many reasons to feel proud. Some of us end the school year in very different places to where we started it! Some of us end the year reflecting on years well-spent at Aldborough with eyes firmly fixed on pastures new and adventures ahead. Others are energised by the exciting times ahead at Aldborough and all the opportunities that the next school year might bring. Wherever you fall within those groups we thank you all for supporting us, we are so grateful to you all.*

*To our community groups – The Friends of APS, Stepping Stones Nursery and Village Care – thank you for your friendship and support which have been invaluable. To our school volunteers, thank you for your time and dedication, we wouldn't be without you. Thank you to our Governors who have supported the school through the school year and kept us on the straight and narrow! To all the Aldborough parents and carers, thank you for your support and understanding, you are always amazing. To the Aldborough children, thank you for making us smile every day and for keeping our feet on the ground; we learn more from you than you would ever know! To all the staff team, thank you for all the extra hours that you have worked, the new roles you have embraced and the sacrifices you have made with your own family time; you are fabulous.*

*Our final thank you goes to the parents and children in Year 6. To the Year 6 parents, thank you for supporting the school over the past years and for sharing your children's journey with us. To be part of your children's lives has been a privilege and has given us memories that we will treasure. Finally, thank you to our Year 6 leavers for everything that you have brought to Aldborough Primary School. Your time spent here will always be with us. There will be mountains ahead for you and the path might not always be smooth, but we know you have the skills to be successful and the perseverance to keep going. Good Luck to you all, we will miss you.*

*'Kids, you'll move mountains...  
... You're off to great places!  
Today is your day!  
Your mountain is waiting,  
So...get on your way!' (Dr. Seuss)*

*Wishing you happy holidays ahead,  
See you back on September 6<sup>th</sup>,  
With Best Wishes,  
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team*

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## *Aldborough Working Together*

**HAPPY RETIREMENT** – Today we finally said good bye to Mrs Morgan and Mrs Taylor. They have been at the heart of our school for over 20 years and they will be with us in every book that is read, every play that is produced, every break time that we share and every child that we teach. Today, we say thank you and we will miss you. We wish Jill and Claire both a long and very happy retirement full of adventures and pastures new - but our kettle will always be on at Aldborough for a cup of tea with just exactly the right amount milk. They have both been the jewels in the Aldborough crown and we thank them for all of their sparkling moments.

**GOODBYE** – Today we also say good bye and thank you to Mrs Gowers. She has been a wonderful TA for C4 and she has supported many children in her role as our school ELSA. We send Gemma all our very best wishes as she begins her new role at Sheringham Woodfields School.

**THANK YOU** – The staff would like to thank you all for your gifts and best wishes at the end of the school year. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity.

**WEEKEND, EVENING AND HOLIDAY EMAILS** – We respectfully request that parents are mindful that the weekends and late evenings are family times for the staff. All of the staff at Aldborough, whatever their roles, work over and above the expected hours and they do this out of commitment and goodwill towards the school and our community. However, it can be very stressful for staff to receive emails outside of their working day. The emails are difficult to ignore and often cause sleepless nights. We would be most grateful if all emails outside of the working week could be sent via the Office where they will be forwarded to the relevant member of staff. We appreciate that it suits many working parents to send emails in the evening and these will be responded to the next working school day. Over the holidays, the office email address will be monitored occasionally and emails forwarded to staff in case of any emergencies. We really appreciate your support in this matter.

**WATER SAFETY** – We have been made aware that some of the children are swimming unaccompanied in the water around the village during the hot weather. Please be alert to the dangers of this. We all want to return safely to school in the Autumn.

**PLAYGROUND PICK UP/ DROP OFF** – In September school drop off in the morning will start at **8.45 a.m. or when a member of staff arrives on the playground.** Please do not drop off children before a member of staff arrives. This does not apply to Year 6 children who often arrive independently.

We have always asked that children stand with their parents when they are waiting for school to start or at the end of the day. Our story area in the corner of the playground should not be used as a climbing area for younger children. We ask that all parents take responsibility for their pre-school children who are waiting for older siblings so that any further accidents can be avoided. **Please be aware that school gates will be locked at 8.55 a.m. for the safety**

**of the children in school. If your child arrives at school after that time please bring them to the Office in person via the side gate.**

**END OF THE SCHOOL DAY** - The school day will end as usual at 3.15pm. Classes 1, 2, 3 & 4 should all be picked up from the front playground. Children in these classes will not be allowed to leave school unless they are accompanied by an adult. Class 5 are the only class who will leave through the side gate, under the supervision of Mr Hall Galley or Mrs O'Leary. These changes are to ensure the safety of the children.

**NEW CHILDREN** – We are looking forward to welcoming all of our new children in September. Just a reminder that the new children who are starting in Reception will start school at 8.55 a.m until 12.00 noon from Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of September. Reception children will not be having lunch in school that week. The year 1 children in Class 1 will be at school all day as usual.

**PE KIT** - From September all children will be required to have PE kit in school. The children will **NO** longer be coming to school dressed for PE. PE kit is: a white t-shirt, navy or black shorts, navy or black jogging bottoms and suitable trainers, this PE kit is for **all** children in school. This can be left in school and will be sent home at the end of the half-term.

**JEWELLERY AND HAIR** - The only jewellery allowed in school is one pair of stud earrings, which need to be taped up for PE. For your child's comfort and hygiene please ensure that all long hair is tied up every day.

**MUSIC LESSONS** - Please email the office if your child would be interested in taking part in Music lessons, or confirm they would like to continue with lessons. At present the instruments we offer are flute and guitar. These lessons are with a Norfolk Music Hub tutor and would be during school hours on a Thursday afternoon.

**PENTATHLON** – Thank you to everyone who supported the Pentathlon. We were overwhelmed by the sponsorship contributions which raised a staggering £1,991!! Thank you to all the parents, carers, family, friends and Great Aunt Agathas who supported this event.

**SWIMMING** – Year 6 will be swimming at AHS at the beginning of the Autumn Term starting on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> of September. Please make sure that the children have their full kit with them, including a swimming hat, every Monday.

**PUPIL ASSET ACCOUNTS** – Please could all parents settle their accounts before July 22<sup>nd</sup>. This is particularly important for our Year 6 parents.

**YEAR 3 LUNCHES** – Just a reminder for year 2 parents (year 3 Sept 2022) that all lunches in KS2 have to be paid for using school accounts. Universal Free School Meals come to an end at the end of KS1.

**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 is in KS2 and has a school snack, please pay in the school shop in Pupil Asset.**

**COLD LUNCHES** – From September we will be piloting cold lunches as well as hot lunches for Key Stage 1. There will be choice of sandwiches which will need to be pre-booked a week in advance with Tracy on a Monday morning in the kitchen.

**FOREST SCHOOL** – Please make sure that the children have appropriate clothing for their Forest School sessions in September. **Children need boots or sturdy shoes even in the summer/early autumn months. The children cannot wear sandals or Crocs for Forest School.** The days for September are as follows:

C1: Wednesday

C2: Thursday

C3: Tuesday



## *Aldborough Information*



**MORNING PLAYGROUND DROP OFF – IF YOU ARRIVE AT SCHOOL BEFORE 8.45 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](mailto: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](mailto: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. The team continue 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 refer families in need to the Foodbank; please don’t hesitate to contact us if you need some help. All support is provided confidentially.

<b><u>DATES LIST 2021/22</u></b>	
	<b><u>SEPTEMBER 2022</u></b>
<b>Tues 6<sup>th</sup> September</b>	First day back of the Autumn Term for all children.
<b>Mon 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 6 children start swimming
	<b><u>OCTOBER 2022</u></b>
<b>24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
	<b><u>NOVEMBER 2022</u></b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup> Oct – 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Year 6 residential trip – Eaton Vale</b>
	<b><u>DECEMBER 2022</u></b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Family Learning Day – all parents welcome. 2.00p.m. start
<b>16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b><u>Last day of term</u></b>

## KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022



### **MORRISONS**

Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.

### **ASDA CAFE**

Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.

### **DUNELM**

One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.

**YO!** Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.

### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.

### **HUNGRY HORSE**

Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.

### **IKEA**

Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).

### **BELLA ITALIA**

Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.

### **DOBBIES**

Kids eat free with an adult main meal.

### **TABLE TABLE**

Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.

### **CAFE ROUGE**

Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.

### **MORE TO COME!!**

M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.