



## SCHOOL YEAR 2022/23- NEWSLETTER NO 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you all had a fabulous summer holiday and enjoyed the wonderful weather. Welcome to all of our new children and their families; we hope that you will be very happy as part of our Aldborough community. Welcome to our two new members of staff, Mrs Gale and Mrs O'Leary. Mrs Gale is our new Science Co-ordinator and will be teaching across all classes in KS1 and KS2. Mrs O'Leary is our new C5 HLTA who will also support some learning across other KS2 classes.

The staff have had a very busy summer with lots of news to share with the children. Amongst their personal news some highlights include: climbing Ben Nevis (Mrs Cuthill), winning the Cromer Carnival Bake Off (Kerry) and getting engaged (congratulations to Miss Redford and her fiancé John).

We have also been very busy working at school over the 'holidays'. Cupboards and classrooms have been cleared out (one classroom has even been painted by a teacher!). The Learning Street has been re-arranged and Kerry has worked her magic with the addition of some paintings in our entrance area. As well as the practical updates, the teachers have worked hard planning new ways of teaching Reading, English, Maths, History and Geography. Details of these changes will be available on the school website in the next couple of weeks. We had a wonderful staff training session led by one of our parents on Monday and we are all very grateful for the time he spent and the input that he gave – it was invaluable.

We are definitely ready to give the children a warm welcome back to school!  
Here's to another year of learning, fun, community and collaboration – we are so glad that you are all on this journey with us,

Wishing you a great start to the new school year,  
With Best Wishes,  
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team

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**Aldborough Working Together**

**PLAYGROUND PICK UP/ DROP OFF –** Just a reminder that school now opens 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.

**PE KIT -** All children are now 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.

**SWIMMING –** Year 6 will be swimming this half 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.

**CLASS 4 AUTUMN TERM –** We are delighted that Mr Thomas Lloyd-Edwards will be joining us later in the Autumn Term to cover Miss Redford’s maternity leave. Mr Lloyd-Edwards has worked at Aldborough as a supply teacher and he is very excited to be joining us for a longer period. Nearer the time, we will ensure that the children in C4 have the opportunity to spend some time with Mr. Lloyd-Edwards to get to know him.

**CURRICULUM STATEMENTS –** Curriculum overviews for each class will be available on the website by the end of the week.

**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 day 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. We really appreciate your support in this matter.

**HEALTHY SNACKS AND LUNCHES** – Please ensure that the snacks and packed lunches that the children bring to school are healthy and do not contain Nuts. 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** – We are now piloting cold lunches as well as hot lunches for Key Stage 1 and EYFS children. 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 this half term. **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 2 ‘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 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.

<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>Fri 14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Harvest Celebration. Donations to the North Norfolk Food Bank.
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Parents' Evenings</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>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Individual and family photographs – Tempest Photography
	<b><u>DECEMBER 2022</u></b>
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Family Learning Day – <b>all parents welcome. 2.00p.m. start</b>
<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	C1 and C2 Nativity Performance 9.30 a.m. <b>C1 and C2 parents invited.</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Party Day
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b><u>Last day of term</u></b>

**The KS2 Production/Panto will take place in the Summer Term 2023**

