



## SCHOOL YEAR 2022/23- NEWSLETTER NO 12

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*It seems impossible to believe that this is the penultimate newsletter of the year. It only seems like yesterday that we were welcoming Reception 2022 into school and yet next week we will be meeting Reception 2023 on their first visit to school. I know that as we head through the last 4 weeks of term it will be a time of reflection for many, I know the boxes of tissues are at the ready in some households already! However, this next week our eyes are all on the autumn term and the children's transitions for September 2023. Many of our Year 6 children will be visiting their high schools if they haven't done so already. Their thoughts will turn to tutor groups, school buses, and school uniforms! The children in Reception to Year 5 will be looking ahead to their transition day on Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup>. It has always been traditional on that day for the children to meet their teachers and classmates for the coming year and we are thrilled to be keeping up with that Aldborough tradition. Some children will be moving into different classes whereas others will be remaining in their existing class (remember that all children spend 2 years in a class at two different times over their years at Aldborough).*

*There will be new children joining us in Key Stage 2 so there will be new families to get to know and new faces to smile at! Friendships, learning, inclusion and individuality are at the heart of all the decisions that are made about transitions and we thank the parents and carers in advance for supporting us. If you know that your child might feel anxious about change, then please prepare them for next Thursday, as we will also be doing here in school. There are exciting times ahead!*

*Wishing you all a Village Fayre-filled weekend,  
With Best Wishes,  
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team*



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**TRANSITION DAYS** – We are very excited about the transition days ahead and all the new friends and faces that we will get to know. The year 6 children who have been allocated places at Aylsham High School will visit on Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June, Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June. The year 6 children who have allocated places at Sheringham High School will visit on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. **PLEASE AVOID BOOKING ANY DAYS OFF SCHOOL AT THIS IMPORTANT TIME.** The secondary schools will be in touch with parents/carers directly with further information. **OUR WHOLE SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY WILL BE ON THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE.**

**NEWS FROM CLASS 4** – On Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June Miss Redford will be joining the children in C4 (Sept 2023) for their transition day. Miss Redford will be returning to Aldborough on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July following her maternity leave and in September, she will be teaching Class 4 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs Gale will be teaching Class 4 on Monday and Friday with Mrs O’Leary sharing her artistic expertise with C4 too. Sadly, that means that we will be saying goodbye to Mr Lloyd-Edwards at the end of the term. The present Class 4 children will be very happy to know that from Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July they will have both Miss Redford and Mr Lloyd-Edwards sharing their time until the end of term. I know that the children and parents in Class 4 will join me and the staff in thanking Mr Lloyd-Edwards for the wonderful work that he has done in C4. We unearthed a gem when we discovered Mr Lloyd-Edwards and we will certainly be inviting him back on future occasions to help out with teaching cover. Thank you Tom – you have been a star and we will all miss you.

**INDUCTION EVENINGS** – We know that parents and carers will have many questions about new classes in September. We are often asked about PE days, spelling lists, water bottles, toilets – the list is endless. With that in mind, we will be inviting all parents and carers from C2 – C5 to an induction evening immediately after school on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. The children are welcome to come along too. This will be a time for you to meet your child’s new teacher and to ask any general questions which might not have been covered in the short presentation that the teachers will give. This will not be a time for individual discussions about settling in or progress. We are aware that some of you will have children in different classes and we are hoping that you will work together to disseminate important information for parents who are unable to attend.

**EATON VALE** – There will be a separate information evening for the parents of children going to Eaton Vale towards the end of September. Please make sure that any outstanding balances are paid by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**SUMMER PRODUCTION** – The excitement is building towards the KS2 Summer Production! What a Knight! We thought you would appreciate knowing the performance dates for your diary. There will be a performance to C1 and C2 and any KS2 parents with pre-school children on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 1.45 pm. The two evening performances will be on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00 pm and all KS2 children will be involved. All ticket information will be with you nearer the time. **Costume information for C3 and C4 will be coming out next week.**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY** - We are looking for someone to join our After School Club team from September onwards. The rate of pay is approximately £10.78 an hour and contracts run for 38 weeks of the year (term time only + 1 week). The vacancy will be for 3 hours a week (Monday) If you are interested in becoming part of the staff team or if you know anyone that this might suit, please contact the Office for further details. This opportunity will be subject to the necessary background checks.

**EMAILS** – The Office receives on average 100 emails a day with another 80 or so going to Mrs Bearman's email address. These are not all from parents and carers! We do our best to answer all of your emails as quickly as possible, however, on busy days it is not possible. We want to assure you that all emails are read on the day that they arrive, even if we may be a little slower to reply. Emails sent directly from parents and carers to Mrs Bearman's email address often go straight into the junk box so it is always better for emails to go to the Office where they can be forwarded immediately. This is also the correct procedure for emails to teachers. The Office will forward any emails from parents to teachers as soon as they arrive. A gentle reminder that it is not acceptable for emails to be sent directly to teachers outside of working hours i.e. 8.30 – 5.00 and it is totally unacceptable for emails to be sent on a Saturday or Sunday. The Office email address is set up for precisely those times.

**HAIR** – Please could all children have their hair checked regularly for 'visitors'. We have a persistent problem at the moment especially amongst those children with long hair. Please treat children immediately if any little visitors are found. It is essential that all long hair is tied back for this reason, but also because it is more comfortable for the children in the hot weather.

**LIBRARY BOOKS** – Please have a hunt around on book shelves or under beds for any Aldborough Primary School library books. The library books will be clearly stamped at the front. If any books are found, the children can leave them on the red sofa in the library. Many thanks for your support.

**ALDBOROUGH VILLAGE FAYRE** – This Sunday is the Aldborough Village Fayre. Some of our Yr 6 children will have stalls at the fayre as they are taking part in a project called 'Grow £5.00'. The Friends of Aldborough Primary School will also have activities to support at the fayre and Mr and Mrs Bearman will be on the Village Care bottle stall. Please come along to the support the fayre from 12.00 onwards if you can.

**SUMMER CLOTHES** – Please could all families ensure that summer clothes are appropriate for the age of the children and activities at school. We know that children like to look fashionable, however, 'belly tops' and 'hot pants' are not conducive with a comfortable day at school, nor are shoulder-less tops which restrict movement. Nail varnish has never been allowed at school and nor has jewellery other than one pair of stud earrings.

**SANDALS AND SOCKS** - Just a quick reminder that the children are not allowed to wear open toed sandals for school unless they also wear socks.

**SCHOOL LUNCHES** – From September the cost of a school lunch will rise to £2.50. We are very sorry that we have had to make this change, but we are also dealing with rising prices and raised energy bills.

**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.

**SPORTS DAY** – Sports Day will be on Monday July 10<sup>th</sup> at 9.00 a.m. (or as soon as we can get the children out onto the field). Fingers crossed we won't be in the middle of a heat wave this year!

**FOREST SCHOOL** Please make sure that the children have appropriate clothing for their Forest School sessions this half term. **Children sturdy shoes and sunhats as the weather improves. The children cannot wear sandals or Crocs for Forest School. The children will also need some insect repellent applied before school on hot days.** The days for the Summer half term are as follows:

C3: Tuesday

C1: Wednesday

C2: Thursday

**CLASS 5 WILL HAVE FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS:**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July (packed lunch needed) The afternoon will include a pizza party.**

**SCHOOL WEBSITE** – We are continually updating our school website to include information about the children's learning in each term and in each class. Please do familiarise yourself with the website as it provides lots of information about the curriculum. **We are often asked to provide work for children who are going on holiday during term time.** This is not something that we do due to the pressure that it puts on teacher workload in addition to the additional workload involved with helping the children to catch up when they return to school. The website is an excellent source of information for those parents who wish their children to work during term time holidays. **AT ALDOROUGH WE ARE COMMITTED TO PROVIDING ALL CHILDREN WITH THE BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE. IN ORDER TO DO THIS WE NEED ALL CHILDREN TO ATTEND REGULARLY AND PUNCTUALLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.**

**NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS** –Please keep your eye on The Friends of Aldborough Primary School Face Book page for ways in which you can help. **Please speak to the committee about different ways that you could help us.** Thank you as always to The Friends for their enthusiasm and energy and for all of the parents and carers for supporting the different events.



## *Aldborough Information*



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**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.**

**ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL** - If your child is absent from school, please call the office number 01263 761264 at the earliest opportunity and leave a message. Please call each day of your child's absence, giving your child's name and reason. Please do not email, although we appreciate it can be easier for you to quickly do this, we cannot guarantee that the email has been received and therefore your child would be registered as 'Missing in Education', which then prompts Safeguarding measures to be taken. **Attendance is reviewed regularly. ATTENDANCE AT LESS THAN 90% WILL INSTIGATE ATTENDANCE INTERVENTION**

**MEDICATION IN SCHOOL** – Parents and carers are reminded that any medicine that comes to school must be handed in to the school office and the appropriate paper work must be completed. Please ensure that all prescription medication is in the original pharmacy container/packaging, which includes the child's name and the necessary dosage/instructions.

If prescription medicines do not have this information then school staff are unable to administer the medication.

**HEALTHY SNACKS, LUNCHES AND BIRTHDAY TREATS** – Please ensure that the snacks and packed lunches that the children bring to school are healthy and nut free. 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. It would be much appreciated if birthday treats, which are shared with the class, are also sugar free and consistent with children's health and well-being. Please avoid sugary lollipops in particular. 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.**

**PE KIT** - A gentle reminder that all children need their PE kit in school at all times. It should not be taken home at the end of the week. PE kit is a white T-shirt, black or navy shorts and black or navy track suit bottoms/leggings and trainers. The children should wear a sweat shirt for outdoor PE. As always, the health and well-being of the children is our number one priority. Please ensure that the children have their PE kit in school with them at all times.

**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 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 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 2023</u></b>	
	<b><u>JUNE</u></b>
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Aldborough Village Fayre</b>
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>C5 Forest School Day</b>
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Year 6 Transition days AHS</b>
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Aldborough Transition Day</b>
	<b><u>JULY</u></b>
<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b><u>SPORTS DAY 9.05 a.m. start</u></b>
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>C1 and C5 Buddy Trip to Amazona Zoo</b>
	<b>Year 5 sailing trip to the Norfolk Broads</b>
	<b>Summer Production performances</b>
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>1.45 p.m.</b>
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>6.00 p.m. All KS2 children</b>
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>6.00 p.m. All KS2 children</b>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>C5 Forest School day including pizza party (packed lunch needed for all children)</b>
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>Last day of term</b>
	<b>Leavers' Assembly 2.30 p.m. Year 6 parents only (+ tissues)</b>
	<b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b>
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> day of Autumn Term</b>
<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Parents/carers induction meeting 3.15. C2, C3, C4, C5 only</b>