SCHOOL YEAR 2024/25- NEWSLETTER NO 11

Dear Friends,

Just a very quick newsletter to end what has been a very quick half term! It hardly seems to have begun before we are heading towards the half term break. It will do us all good to re-charge our batteries ready for the 7 and a half weeks ahead. The final summer term can be exhausting for everyone as the weather heats up, emotions run high (especially in year 6) and we look forward to welcoming our new children for their taster day sessions.

The children will have brand new monkey bars to play on when they return after half term. Monkey bars are such a firm favourite with the children that we thought it was worth investing in a new set to keep lunch times happy. A huge thank you to Mr Knight (Mrs Knight's husband) who gave up his Sunday to remove the old posts. We are so lucky to have such wonderful support from our Aldborough community – although I think his arm may have been twisted a little!

We will also have a full set of summer clubs activity clubs to enjoy after half term. We listened to the parents' views and we are offering two new sports clubs run by Active Education. It would be lovely if everyone who said they would like more sports clubs signed their children up as we will be running these clubs at a financial loss this term. We will keep our eye on how this goes and decide where to go with this in the Autumn term.

Finally, sun hats, sun cream and sun glasses. Please make sure that the children have sun hats for the summer term. Sun cream should be applied before the children come to school and if you think they will need a top up during the school day they must learn how to apply sun cream themselves and give their sun cream to their teacher. We are relaxing our policy on sunglasses for the summer term. If you would like your child to wear sunglasses during playtime please come to the office to sign a permission slip. Only children whose parents have signed the slip will be allowed to wear their sun glasses.

Wishing you a sunny weekend and a lovely half term break,
With Best Wishes,
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team





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Aldborough Working Together

JUNIOR DUKE – Thank you to all the children (and their parents and carers) who have taken part in the Junior Duke Challenge this year. The children have done some incredible challenges and we are very proud of them. June 27th is the deadline for Junior Duke challenges to be returned to the Office for this year – the children can continue with their challenges next year before they move onto a new level. The children are aiming to complete 10 challenges in order to take part in our celebration event (more information to follow). If you have any unused Junior Duke books at home, please could they be returned to the office so that we can give them out next year (they cost us £10.00 per book).

SUMMER PRODUCTION - As I am sure some of you may have heard, our summer production is 'Ye-Ha!' Get your cowboy boots and Stetsons at the ready for a wild west themed, all singing, all dancing production. There will be a performance to Chestnut and Cherry Blossom Class and any KS2 parents with pre-school children on Monday 14th July at 1.45 pm The two evening performances will be on Tuesday 15th July and Wednesday 16th July at 6.00 pm and all KS2 children will be involved. All ticket information will be with you nearer the time.

FAMILY LEARNING DAY – Our next Family Learning Afternoon will take place on **Tuesday 24th June** and our theme is 'A Symphony of Stories' in preparation for the visit of James Mayhew in July**.** We will be full of summer sunshine by then so we do hope you will join us for an afternoon of creativity inspired by music and stories. Doors open at 2.00 p.m.

FAMILY LEARNING DAY AHS – On Saturday June 21st Aylsham High School will be holding their annual Family Learning Day from 10.00 a.m- 2.00p.m. The staff from our school will be organising our own activity stand and we would love to see you there. This day is the perfect opportunity for our present yr 6 children, who are transitioning to AHS, to enjoy an informal day and meet their new teachers. You can find information about all the workshops/activities organised by TACT families on our outdoor noticeboard by the front door.

MULTIPLICATION TEST – The children in Year 4 have been working hard to prepare for the national multiplication test which will take place after half term 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! Along with a secure level of reading, knowledge of times table really is the greatest way you can help your children as they move through the school.

SWIMMING – Named children will have received a letter for extra swimming sessions on Mondays after half term. It is essential that your child takes part in these extra lessons in order to meet the national curriculum requirements. If you have received a letter, please make sure that the children have their full kit with them, including a swimming hat, every Monday. Earrings should not be worn to school on swimming days.

SCHOOL LUNCHES – Just reminder that the cost of school lunches will go up to £2.70 for KS2 children after half term.

COLLECTION FROM SCHOOL – Please make sure your child knows who will be collecting them at the end of the day, if your plans change please make the office aware of the changes.



Dates for your Diaries



	MAY
Monday May 26th – Friday 30th May	**HALF TERM**
	JUNE
Saturday 21st June	**AHS Family Learning Day – Aylsham High School**
Tuesday 24th June	**Summer Family Learning Afternoon – A Symphony of Stories**
Wednesday 25th June - Friday 27th June	**AHS transition days**
Thursday June 26th	**Whole school transition day – new classes for Sept 2024**
	JULY
Monday 14th July	**KS2 Summer Production 1.45 p.m. (families with young children only)**
Tuesday 15th July	**KS2 Summer Production 6.00 p.m.**
Wednesday 16th July	**KS2 Summer Production 6.00 p.m.**
Monday 21st July	**Sports Day 9.00 a.m. (or as soon as we can get the children out onto the field)**
Tuesday 22nd July	**Leaver's Assembly 2.30 (All parents and carers for Year 6 invited)** **Last day of the summer term**