SCHOOL YEAR 2024/25- NEWSLETTER NO 13

Dear Friends,

And in the blink of an eye another school year is over! As the lights go down on our Wild West production of Ye-Ha!, the displays come down in the Learning Street and the house points are all counted, we have so many reasons to feel proud of our wonderful school. 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 and all the opportunities that the next school year might bring at Aldborough. Wherever you fall within those groups we thank you all for supporting us, we are so grateful to you for making our school the special place that it is.

To The Friends of APS – thank you for your friendship and support which has 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, but this year we thank you in particular as we know it has not been the easiest year for many of our families. 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 in what has been a difficult year for many of you personally; you are fabulous.

Our final thank you goes to the parents and children in Year 6. To the Year 6 parents and carers, 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 resilience to keep going. You have certainly all found your inner hero! 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 a wonderful holiday,
See you back on September 3rd,
With Best Wishes,
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team





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Aldborough Working Together

GOODBYE….FOR NOW! – Today we say a temporary good bye to Mrs Edwards who leaves us to start her maternity leave. Of all the adventures that the staff have ahead of them this summer, Mrs Edwards has the greatest adventure of all! We send Mr and Mrs Edwards and soon to be big brother Toby lots of love and luck for mid-August and we look forward to lots of cuddles with the new baby in the Autumn Term.

SPORTS DAY – We were very disappointed that sports day had to be cancelled this year. Who would believe that we would have 2 days of heavy rain after nearly 7 weeks of wall to wall sunshine! Last Friday the children had a lovely time at their sports day practice and ran all of their races including the school relay with great enthusiasm so they all had their moment in the sun!

THANK YOU – All the staff would like to say a huge thank you for all the gifts and good wishes that arrived in school this week. We really appreciate all of your kind words and thoughts. We will still be eating biscuits and chocolate in October!! **THANK YOU** to The Friends for giving us a lovely final morning of bacon rolls and coffee. We have never had a drive through at school before but I feel it may become a regular event!

CHAINSAW – A tree blew down in the storm about a month ago. Mrs Stanbury would like to use the wood from the tree for her forest school sessions. If anyone has a chain saw and a spare hour and would be willing to come and cut up the tree we would be most grateful. Please let the Office know in the Autumn Term.

MEET THE TEACHER AFTERNOONS – 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 Cherry Blossom Class – Oak Class to a 'Meet the teacher meeting' immediately after school during the first full week back. 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. The dates are as follows:

Mon 8th of September Oak Class and Cherry Blossom Class

Tues 9th of September Willow Class

Thurs 11th of September Pine Class

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 8.45 a.m until 12.00 noon from Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th of September. Reception children will

not be having lunch in school that week. The year 1 children in Chestnut Class will be at school all day as usual. We are delighted to be welcoming an additional 9 new children across KS1 and KS2 in September. We hope that all of our new children will be very happy as part of our Aldborough family.

SWIMMING – A selection of year 6 children will be swimming at AHS at the beginning of the Autumn Term starting on Monday 8th of September. Letters will be given out to the children during the first few days of the Autumn Term. Please make sure that the children have their full kit with them, including a swimming hat, every Monday and that all earrings are removed for the day.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS – Could all school accounts be settled before the 31st July. All charges have been added to the childrens accounts.

Reminder: All Year 2 children now moving to Year 3 will be charged for school provided meals from September.

PARKING SIGNS – The Parish Council will be putting up parking signs on the road near to the bridge over the school holidays. Please respect these and do not park on the bridge, or the footpath which is specifically for the children to walk on. Thank you to the parish council for working towards keeping the children from APS safe on their journey to school and back.



Dates for your Diaries



DATES LIST 2025	
	SEPTEMBER
Wednesday 3rd. September	**First day back for the children**
Monday 8th September **Tuesday 9th September** **Thursday 11th September**	**Parents' Meeting Oak Class and Cherry Blossom Class 3.15 p.m.** **Parents' Meeting Willow Class 3.15 p.m.** **Parents' Meeting Pine Class 3.15 p.m.**
	OCTOBER
Friday 17th October	**Harvest Celebration – children only. Donations for the North Norfolk Foodbank**
Monday 20th October +	**Parents' Evenings**

Thursday 23rd October	
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October	**HALF TERM HOLIDAY**
	NOVEMBER
	DECEMBER
Tuesday 2nd December	**Family Learning Afternoon 2 p.m. All parents and carers welcome.**
Saturday 6th December	**CHRSTIMAS FAYRE**
Tuesday 9th December	**Christmas Nativity 9.15 a.m. All parents and carers from Chestnut Class and Cherry Blossom Class invited**
Wednesday 17th December	**Whole School Trip to the Pantomime – Sheringham Little Theatre**
Thursday 18th December	**Christmas Lunch**
Friday 19th December	**Last day of the Autumn Term**