SCHOOL YEAR 2025/26- NEWSLETTER NO 3

Dear Friends,

A poem from our Harvest Celebration to wish our school community a well-deserved half term break:

'Plant three rows of peas:

Peace of mind,

Peace of heart,

Peace of soul.

Plant three rows of squash:

Squash indifference

Squash selfishness

Squash hate.

Plant three rows of lettuce:

Lettuce be kind,

Lettuce love one another,

Lettuce grow together.

Water freely with patience and

Cultivate with love.'

Wishing you a peaceful half term holiday,
With Best Wishes,
Mrs Bearman and the Aldborough Team



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Aldborough Working Together

THANK YOU – A huge thank you to all the families who answered Mrs Meyrick's plea for new resources for Chestnut Class. The children are having a lovely time using all of their new jigsaws and dinosaurs. We have even managed to set up a new jigsaw table for the KS2 children to use when they have a quiet moment. Mrs Meyrick is also hopeful that she will be able to renew all the tables and chairs in Chestnut Class – if anyone has any brilliant fund raising ideas then please let us know!

HARVEST CELEBRATION – Thank you to everyone who sent donations for our Harvest celebration. It is so important as a rural community to celebrate those who work on the land and the food that is produced. It is also an important lesson for the children to learn about helping others in our community. The North Norfolk Foodbank will ensure that all of our donations go to those who need it most. Mr Bearman, who has volunteered for the Food bank for the last 6 years, will be delivering some of the harvest food parcels in the run up to Christmas so we know first-hand the joy and relief that your donations bring. We sent an incredible 204.65 kg of donations – thank you!

SCHOOL LUNCHES AND SNACKS – Tracy, Kerry and Brodie do an amazing job in our kitchen keeping the children (and often the staff) healthy and happy with the delicious food that they prepare. Should any parents like to know more about the ingredients, then please pop in to see the kitchen team who will be happy to answer any questions or share their expertise. Their doors open from 8.00 a.m. at the start of breakfast club. Just so parents are aware, if your child is at ASC from 4.30-5.30 they will be given a more substantial snack as we are aware that this is a long day for hungry children. This could be anything from baked potatoes to soup and a roll. The kitchen team leave the small meals based on the numbers of children who are signed up for ASC on each day from 4.30-5.30 so please be aware of this if you are picking your child up earlier than expected.

PARENTS' EVENINGS- Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to join us for parents' evening this week. We love talking to you about your children and discussing the different ways that we can work together to support learning. Thank you to those of you who work so hard helping the children with their reading, spelling and times tables – it really makes the world of difference.

SPOOKY STORIES DRESS UP DAY – On Wednesday 5th November we will be holding our spooky stories dress up day. The children are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a spooky story book (please remember we have little children in school who don't want to be scared!) We ask for a £1.00 donation from each child to go towards supporting the children. The children can give their £1.00 donation to the class teachers or to the office on the day. The dressing up day will be followed by The Friends Halloween Party.

FAMILY LEARNING AFTERNOON – Parents who are new to the school will not be aware of our Family Learning Afternoons. These are times when all parents and carers (or grandparents if parents can't make it) are invited into school for the afternoon to learn alongside the children. The 'learning' often involves art and craft activities although we do

challenge you to the odd bit of poetry or even a pentathlon every now and then! Our next Family Learning Afternoon is on Tuesday December 2nd when the children will be making decorations to sell at the Christmas Fayre. Please do come along to support the children and the staff if you can. Doors open at 1.45 p.m. for a 2.00 p.m. start.

OPEN MORNINGS RECEPTION 2026 – We will be holding open mornings for parents of children due to start school in Reception 2026. The visits will be on:
Thursday 13th November at 9.15 a.m.
Thursday 4th December at 9.15 a.m.
PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!!



Dates for your Diaries



DATES LIST 2025/26	
	OCTOBER
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October	**HALF TERM HOLIDAY**
	NOVEMBER
Tuesday 4th November	Individual school photos
Wednesday 5th November	Spooky Story Dressing Up Day (£1 donation) The Friends' Halloween Party 3.15 p.m. – 4.45 p.m.
Monday November 24th	Willow Class Cake Sale 3.15 p.m. All cake donations to the side entrance of school on the morning of the 24th.
	DECEMBER
Tuesday 2nd December	Family Learning Afternoon 2 p.m. (doors open at 1.45 p.m.) All parents and carers welcome.
Saturday 6th December	CHRISTMAS 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 and Christmas jumper day
Friday 19th December	Last day of the Autumn Term
	JANUARY 2026
Tuesday January 6th	First day of the Spring Term for all children.

