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Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2020/2021 - NEWSLETTER NO 31

CERTIFICATE - Well done to these children who received the certificates for the last week from their teachers.

Mrs Goode and Mr Allen - Zach Newman
Mr Baykaa-Murray and Miss Winter - Alys Bulley
Mr Dean - Emmie Pocock
Mrs Long and Mrs Duffy - Evie Williams
Miss Moore and Miss Ramli - Honey Jenkins

Mr Evens - Molly Pudney Amos Reynolds

Mr Garcia - Edith Collett

Mrs Leonard - Dhriti Patel Bodhi Rajoyegeswaran

Miss Hake - Ethan Stenner
Mrs North - Aarav Balaji
Miss Wingett - Sophia Taylor

MATHEMATICS CURRICULUM



As part of our work with a local Maths hub, we have been considering the use of Maths display boards in class. We want these boards to be 'Working Walls' rather than just 'Displays' so that the children can relate to them

during lessons and use them to aid progress in class. All boards will include prior knowledge that children need to access the learning as well as different representations of mathematical concepts to help the children

become flexible, adaptable mathematicians. Also, to help children deepen their understanding we use A.P.E. Maths which encourages children to Answer, Prove and Explain their thinking. These are modelled clearly on the working walls for children to relate to. The children are developing their



understanding of number particularly well with a focus on this throughout the school. Being able to identify place value, number bonds, arrays, times tables and how to successfully computate (use the four operations of mathematics – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) will aid the children's problem solving abilities.

NUMBER DAY

On Friday 7 March, Reception took part in the NSPCC's Number Day. The children all came to school dressed in number themed costumes which included characters from Numberblocks, dominoes, number superheroes, a dice and even a calculator! The children played lots of number games throughout the day and were introduced to the Numbots app on the iPads, which they can now access at home, to practise their number facts. Inspired by the Numbots, the children also created their own robots using junk modelling materials. Thank you for all the donations for the NSPCC, the Reception children raised an amazing £78.50!

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YEAR 1 AND 2 NUMBER DAY



Year one and two enjoyed taking part in the NSPCC Number Day on Friday 7 May. They used many of their maths skills to play a variety of maths games in pairs and small groups, whole class number bonds bingo, who wants to be a mathionaire and solved maths puzzles. Thank you for all the donations for the NSPCC, raising £41.90.





CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr Dean and Mrs Dean on the arrival of new baby son, Joshua Rhys Dean, who was born on 6 May. I am sure we all wish their expanding family lots of happiness.



VACANCY FOR LUNCBREAK SUPERVISOR

We currently have vacancies for two lunchtime supervisors. If you are interested in becoming part of our lunchtime team, then please contact the office for more details. The hours are 12 noon to 1.30pm Monday to Friday. I hope that we will be able to recruit very shortly.

PA NEWS LOTTERY NEWS

You can still sign up to the lottery by going to www.onelottery.co.uk and searching for Almondsbury School.

Sweet Cones Sales on 26 and 27 May: at pick up - £1.00.

MAY HAIR MAYHEM THURSDAY 27 MAY

Bring a £1 donation into school and wear your hair as crazy as you would like! All proceeds will be going to our playground project for all children to enjoy. Please see the poster attached.

FAMILY GROUNDS DAY - SUNDAY 27 JUNE

Come along and support the PA on Sunday 27 June, 10am to 2pm to help make improvements to the school grounds, i.e. weeding, painting, planting etc. Please see the poster attached.

SECONDHAND UNIFORM AND WOW/ FANCY DRESS

Due to COVID restrictions and keeping everyone safe, we have moved our second hand uniform sale online. All age groups (apart from 10+ Sam 07426 611531) including Summer Dresses and Playsuits are now on the PA fundraising Website: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypa

How does it work? Click on 'Shop' and then 'Uniform and Merchandise'.

From there you can browse what is available by item and size. Payment is made online to avoid cash exchange. Once you have placed an order, the parent holding your item will be in contact via email to arrange delivery.

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WOW day and fancy dress clothes are also online, and the online bookstore. Purchase of the products work in the same way as the uniform shop. Items can be viewed via the events section.

We have also started to add a selection of WOW days clothes online and have recently restocked the online bookstore. Purchase of both products work in the same way as the uniform shop. Items can be viewed via the events section.

SOLAR BUDDIES SUNCREAM APPLICATOR AFFILIATION:

As the weather gets sunnier and the children need suncream applied more regularly, Solar Buddies are fab!

For use by children, refillable and easy to apply. We've negotiated a 10% discount, and additionally for every sale, 10% goes towards our fundraising initiatives.

https://www.solarbuddies.co.uk?ref=1921

Coupon code: Almond10



HELPFUL WEBSITES

There are a number of websites that will be helpful for each child to investigate to help them with their home learning. This week's website is: https://www.educationquizzes.com/

Best wishes

Mr Paul D Smith Head Teacher

LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE			
CONTENT	YEAR GROUP	INFORMATION OR ACTION	
Letter re trips and activities Year 6	Year 6	Information and action	
Letter re Mojo Active visit	Years 1, 2 3 and 4	Information and action	

DATES 2020/21

TERM 5

Tuesday 18 May Class photos

Monday 24 to Thursday 27 May Sports Week including key phase house games and mini sports

events

Monday 24 May

Year 1 (am) and Year 2 (pm) visit to Mojo Active

Wednesday 26 May

Year 3 (am) and Year 4 (pm) visit to Mojo Active

Friday 28 May INSET day – school closed

TERM 6

Monday 7 June Start of Term 6

Thursday 10 June PA meeting – held via Zoom 7.30pm

Monday 14 June Year 6 visit to Legoland

Tuesday 22 June New Reception 2021 parents meeting and tour

Friday 25 June

Year 6 visit to Barry Island

Year 1 phonics week

Year 2 Scooter training

New Reception children to stay for lunch

Friday 9 July Celebration Day (details to follow)

Year 6 school sleepover and BBQ

Monday 12 July Reports to be sent home

Monday 19 July Year 6 leavers and family celebration afternoon picnic and

activities (details to follow)

Tuesday 20 July Year 6 MAD activity day in school

Wednesday 21 July Leavers Service for Year 6 pupils (details to follow)

End of the school year

Term dates for 2020/21

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Term	Starts	Ends
Term 5	Monday 19 April 2021	Friday 28 May 2021
Term 6	Monday 7 June 2021	Wednesday 21 July 2021
INSET DAYS	Friday 28 May 2021	
confirmed		

Term dates for 2021/22

Term	Starts	Ends
Term 1	Thursday 2 September 2021	Friday 22 October 2021
Term 2	Monday 1 November 2021	Friday 17 December 2021
Term 3	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 18 February 2022
Term 4	Monday 28 February 2022	Friday 8 April 2022
Term 5	Monday 25 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
Term 6	Monday 6 June 2022	Friday 22 July 2022
INSET DAYS	Thursday 2 September 2021	Plus one other INSET Day to be
confirmed	Friday 3 September 2021	confirmed
	Tuesday 4 January 2022	
	Friday 27 May 2022	

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