

13 September 2021

Dear Parents

SCHOOL YEAR 2021/2022 - NEWSLETTER NO 2

CERTIFICATES

Well done to these children who received the certificates for the first week of the new school year from their teachers. We have a new certificate thanks to Miss Wingett's creative skills. We think it looks rather good!

Mr Dean	-	Jack Baker
Mrs Goode and Mr Allen	-	Daniel Moody
Miss Abraham	-	Lola Hutt
Miss Ramli	-	Charlie Garland
Miss Moore and Mrs Williams	-	Jessica Moody
Mr Evens	-	Layla Rew
Mr Garcia	-	Jessica Price
Mrs Leonard	-	Finnley Garrett
Miss Hake	-	Maisie Watson



Reception classes will start to receive certificates when they start full time in school.

GENERAL SCHOOL UPDATE

Welcome to our new Reception children and their families. It is so lovely to have you all here with us at Almondsbury. The children had super time on their Teddy Bear's picnic and their first day of school.

Just a reminder to please report any symptoms of Covid in the children and to sensibly take an LFT test if you are worried or suspect Covid followed up by a PCR test. Cases continue to rise in our area so we need to remain so vigilant.

Can I please request that the parents in Year 3 and 4 come to the gate side of the car park at the end of the school day for collection. This will make it easier for your children (and their class teachers) to see you at the end of the day to be dismissed. It is really busy out there and there are so many parents picking up altogether now we are all exiting school at the same time. Thank you.

THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE



THANK YOU
for keeping our school safe!

Please remember we are a nut free school. This includes any foods that contain nuts as well such as Nutella, etc. Please do ensure you check your child's packed lunch as to whether anything contains nuts. We have children in school who are extremely allergic to peanuts, in particular, and would need hospital treatment should they come into contact with nuts. Thank you for your consideration.

PE KIT

As usual we are straight back into all aspects of school life including PE. As part of this healthy attitude to physical activity, we would like to remind all the children that it is essential to be properly prepared to participate. This is a reminder of the request that children come into school in their PE kits on their allotted PE days. The children have been told and the days are published on each class's webpage on the website.

Outdoor white T-shirt, school hoody/red tracksuit top and red/black tracksuit bottoms
(red shorts for warm days).

Email address: office@almondsburyprimary.co.uk
Website: www.almondsburyprimary.co.uk

- Foot wear** Trainers should be worn into school in readiness for PE
Hair hair bands and clips to tie hair back.
Jewellery all jewellery must be removed including studs.
(Please supply tape for newly pierced ears for the first 6 weeks only)

School Hoodies

The order form for the purchase of school hoodies is included in the Extra-Curricular Clubs form. We are hoping to get back to the large number of after school clubs we had pre-Covid. If you wish to order one please return your order to the office. The orders normally take a few weeks to come back to us. **The deadline for the first order will be Friday 24 September.**

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR VACANCIES

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.

We are extremely short of lunchtime cover. We may require to have some parental volunteers until we can recruit. I hope it doesn't get to the stage that we have to request some children go home for lunch as a last resort. Any help would be hugely appreciated.

PARKING

This is the usual plea for all parents to please park sensibly and safely for the good of all the children. These are difficult times and the parking issue should not be adding to them. Therefore, I am asking every single parent to really think carefully about where and how you park your car. Be considerate of others and be aware of the time

you need to be at school so plan ahead and ensure you leave yourself plenty of time to park safely to drop off and collect your children. Thank you in advance.

MEET THE TEACHER

The annual Meet the Teacher sessions for you to meet and introduce yourself to your child's new class teacher are this week on Monday and Thursday. They start at 3.30pm until 4.00pm. The dates for these are below in the dates section of the newsletter. These will be held in the classroom and you are welcome to come in. We would though ask that you try to space yourselves out in the classroom and keep your children with you.

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: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/>

TRUST HOME DISCUSSION SHEET

This term's theme for our Collective Worship is Trust. We have attached the home discussion sheet for you to read through and talk to your child/ren about the themes within it. As you know the theme runs throughout the term and we will also be looking at 'Get Heartsmart' within our Heartsmart PSHE programme and Tolerance within our British Values. Below is our Bible reading linked to our Heartsmart theme for this term.

Matthew 22:36 - 40

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."



PA NEWS

Welcome back to school and a BIG welcome to all our new children and parents. Please find attached a welcome pack as an introduction to the Parents' Association.

Within the Parents' Association we are planning a fun filled year of fundraising which will ensure we can continue to support the School. Our fundraising goal is to raise enough to transform the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds. If you would like to donate directly please click here: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/almondsburyplayground>

Secondhand uniform, wow day clothes and bottle buddies can all be purchased via our PA website: <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/almondsburypa/index.cfm?even>

Please do get intouch if you like to volunteer to support the PA. We can only fundraise for the school when parents support us and offer to help or lead on events/ initiatives- if you can give some time, please speak to Caroline, Amy, Nat or Carly or email: almondsburyschoolpa@gmail.com.

SCHOOL LOTTERY

Remember to buy your lottery tickets to support us to raise funds for the school playground project. Tickets only cost £1 and you get the chance of winning £25,000! There is also the usual smaller weekly pots to win. Anyone can enter so please share with your family and friends. Get signed up for your lottery tickets now!! Go to www.onelottery.co.uk and search for "Almondsbury School".

RAGS2RICHES

Tuesday 9 November. Please see attached poster.

Best wishes



Mr Paul D Smith
Executive Head Teacher

LETTERS SENT OUT LAST WEEK AND POSTED ON WEBSITE		
CONTENT	YEAR GROUP	INFORMATION OR ACTION
		Information and action
		Information and action

DATES 2021/22

TERM 1

Monday 13 September

Meet the Teacher sessions from 3.30 – 4.00pm for Miss Hake, Mr Garcia, Mr Evens, Mr Dean and Mrs Goode and Mr Allen's classes

Thursday 16 September

Meet the Teacher sessions from 3.30 – 4.00pm for Mrs Leonard, Miss Moore and Mrs Williams, Miss Ramli and Miss Abraham's classes

Friday 17 September

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Monday 20 September

All Reception children in every morning and staying for lunch

Thursday 23 September

Reception Parents Reading and Phonics workshop in the Hall 9.15am

Friday 24 September

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Monday 27 September

Reception children start full time
Meet the Teacher sessions from 3.30 – 4.00pm Miss Wingett and Mrs North

Tuesday 28 September

Year 3 and 4 school cross country pm

Wednesday 29 September

Year 1 and 2 school cross country pm

Friday 1 October

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Tuesday 5 October

Year 5 and 6 school cross country pm

Friday 8 October

Reception Parents 'Funky Finger' workshop in the Hall 9.15am

Wednesday 13 October

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Thursday 14 October

Reception Parents Mathematics workshop in Hall 2.30pm

Friday 15 October

Harvest Festival in school pm

Wednesday 20 October

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Friday 22 October

Flu vaccinations for children all day in school

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

End of Term 1

TERM 2

Monday 1 October

Start of Term 2

Friday 5 November

Book Week and Remembrance fortnight

Tuesday 9 November

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

Friday 12 November

Individual children's and sibling photo's taken

Children In Need Day

Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm

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Thursday 18 November
Friday 19 November
Tuesday 23 November
Friday 26 November
Tuesday 14 December
Friday 17 December

Parents Evening 4.00- 7.00pm
Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm
Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00pm
Swimming for Miss Ramli's class starts 12.30 – 1.30pm
Whole School Christmas lunch
End of Term 2

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 confirmed	Thursday 2 September 2021 Friday 3 September 2021 Tuesday 4 January 2022 Friday 27 May 2022	Plus one other INSET Day to be confirmed